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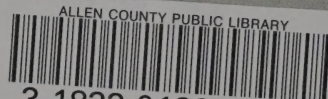
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# Annual Report

**OLD SAYBROOK, CONNECTICUT**



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JUNE 30th  
1978**





The scene on the cover of this 1978 Report was painted and donated by Adelaide Watson. The painting is of the dedication concert June 11, 1978 at the Lions Club Band Stand.

The Old Saybrook High School Band performed for the first event, and marched to the special music arranged for them for their Disney World trip.

Mrs. Watson's husband Jack, President of the Lions Club, was the coordinator of the Band Stand project. It was because of the generosity and hard work of the members of the Lions Club, local contractors and suppliers, along with Jack Watson's tireless efforts that Old Saybrook is able to enjoy this lovely facility at which several concerts were presented this summer.

Mrs. Watson was a fashion artist in New York and then concentrated on portraits which she is still studying in New London. She is an associate member of the Clinton Art Society and the Old Lyme Art Center.

We extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. Watson.

The print is available in a 9 x 12 size flat without printing, suitable for framing in a limited number at the Selectmen's office.

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The Institute of Public Service, University of Connecticut has made the following awards for—

Old Saybrook Town Report of 73-74 Merit Award

Old Saybrook Town Report of 74-75 Merit Award

Old Saybrook Town Report of 75-76 Honorable Mention

Old Saybrook Town Report of 76-77 Honorable Mention

The outstanding cooperation of the Boards, Commissions, Departments and elected officials that contributed material for this report concerning their various functions is gratefully acknowledged.

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# Annual Town Report Town of Old Saybrook, Connecticut

MIDDLESEX COUNTY  
Second Congressional District  
Twentieth Senatorial District  
Thirty-Sixth Assembly District



The seal of Old Saybrook was adopted from the College Arms of Saybrook College, of Yale University. The seal is heraldically described as follows:

*"Quarterly I and IV azure,  
three lions rampant, or;  
II and III sable, and engrailed  
cross within a border  
engrailed, both or, and five  
roundels sable on the cross."*

The significance of the seal and its relation to the Town of Old Saybrook is as follows:

*"Quarters I and IV are for Fiennes, the family of Lord Saye and Sele;  
II and III are for Greville, the family of Lord Brooke. These ancient  
coats recall two of the seventeenth-century English proprietors of land  
at the mouth of the Connecticut River. Their names were combined in  
the name of the town of Old Saybrook, which was the site of Yale  
University before its removal to New Haven."*

Year Ending June 30th,

# 1978

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## **SECTION I**

### **TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK — PROFILE**

**LOCATION:** Middlesex County  
West Side—Mouth of Connecticut River  
45 miles from Hartford  
101 miles from New York  
105 miles from Boston  
Latitude 41°—17' N.—Longitude 72°—25' W.  
Town Area—18.3 square miles  
Total Town Road Mileage—66.08

**GOVERNMENT:** Type: Town Meeting—Board of Selectmen  
Grand List, October 1, 1977: \$127,170,994.00  
Tax Rate, 1977: 37 mills  
Assessment Ratio: 65%  
Grand Levy: \$4,705,326.78

**POPULATION:** Board of Education Census 1977: 8,986  
School Enrollment: 1,945

**PROPERTY:** Individual Dwellings 4,157  
Motor Vehicles 6,896  
Boats 770

#### **REPRESENTATIVES:**

##### **STATE REPRESENTATIVE:**

John Tiffany, 36th Assembly District  
Lyme—434-2888

##### **STATE SENATOR:**

Richard Schneller, 20th Senatorial District  
Essex—767-0188

##### **CONGRESSMAN:**

Christopher Dodd, 2nd Congressional District  
Norwich Office—886-0405

##### **UNITED STATES SENATORS:**

Abraham Ribicoff Washington, D.C.  
Lowell Weicker, Jr. Washington, D.C.



# **NAMES OF OLD SAYBROOK RESIDENTS SERVING IN ELECTED OR APPOINTED MUNICIPAL POSITIONS AS OF JUNE 30, 1978**

FIRST SELECTWOMAN                      Barbara J. Maynard (R)

SELECTMAN                                  Philip F. Ranelli (R)

SELECTMAN                                  Matthew T. Hoey (D)

ACTON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Librarian                                      Margaret Meehan

ACTON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Chairman                                      Lillian R. McKinlay  
Helen L. Bush                                  Gilbert W. Raposo  
Barbara Dannaher                              Dr. David Schreiber  
Richard Dyson                                  Louise M. Tietjen  
Wilhelmina Newfield                              Ruby L. Tucker

AGENT FOR THE ELDERLY                      Janet B. LeBlanc, B.S.S.W.

ASSESSOR                                      Walter Birek  
Assessment Administrator                      Anne Addis  
Assessor's Clerk                                  Necia Courtney

AUDITORS                                      Blum, Gavens and Kaplan  
Certified Public Accountants

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE  
Chairman                                      Mark Newgarden  
Robert Wendler                                  Donald Delude  
Dr. Kai Nordlund                                  Wendy Clark  
Carl Witte

BUILDING DEPARTMENT  
Building Official                                  Robert J. Kelly  
Office Manager                                  Elaine Staplins

### CABLE TELEVISION, ADVISORY COUNCIL

Chairman	Benjamin Brodinsky
Benjamin W. Hughes	
Lee Sparaco	

### CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

Chairman	William H. Flint (R)
Dr. Donald E. Cook (R)	Virginia Mathews (D)
Kevin Farrell (D)	John F. Murphy (D)
Edward Gomeau (D)	Carl S. Von Dassel (R)
Jean B. Winkler (R)	

### CIVIL PREPAREDNESS

Director	Elmer Johnson
Deputy Coordinator	Joseph Prevost
Radiomen — Richard Patenaude	Alfred Bagnati
Joel Anderson	Mike Gozzo
Radiological Officers	Mr. and Mrs. Edward Elliott

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Chairman	Richard Tietjen (D)
Vice Chairman	Frank P. D'Esopo (R)
Secretary	Marge Whipple (D)
Treasurer	Mary Brodinsky (D)
Kay Pampel (R)	
Theresa Dannaher (R)	
Milton A. Gardner (R)	

### CONSTABLES

Joseph A. D'Ambrosio (D)	Charles W. Jones (R)
Donald J. Fowler (R)	Arthur Griffin (D)
Carl Giugno (D)	Philip E. Ranelli (R)
Patricia Crozier (D)	

### DOG WARDEN

Elizabeth Catalano

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Chairman	Leonard Robinson (R)
John Baldoni (D)	Peter Knox (R)
Edward Colton (R)	Kathryn Marchant (D)
Thomas Kiernan (R)	Robert P. Sadler (R)
Robert Frech (D)	George Westerlund (R)
Executive Secretary	Edward L. Wilcox



EDUCATION, BOARD OF

Chairman	Catherine A. Thomas (R)
Vice Chairman	Donald R. Chapman (D)
Secretary	Lowell Klappholz (D)
James Cahill (R)	Shirley G. Von Dassel (R)
Philip R. Rosenthal (D)	Robert W. Fish (R)
Patrick Crowley (R)	(resigned 3/78)
Edward C. Knapp (R)	Robert K. Hallisey (appt. 5/78)

FINANCE, BOARD OF

Chairman	Carlo Viggiano (R)
Albert J. Cutone (R)	Thomas Lubbers (D)
Burton E. Chapman, Jr. (R)	Harriet Naughton (D)
Douglas H. Olson (R)	William L. Sparaco (R)
Clerk	Sarah Becker

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief	Ronald Baldi
Deputy Chief	William Crockett
First Assistant Chief	Jack Laterra
Second Assistant Chief	James Millsbaugh

FIRE MARSHAL

Deputy Fire Marshal	Raymond Savelli
	Ronald Baldi

FOREST FIRE WARDENS

John Champion
Fred Fitch

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Director of Health	G. Robert Saunders, M.D.
	(resigned 12/77)
	Donald E. Cook, M.D.
	(appt. 12/77)
Alternate Director of Health	Jack Milkofsky, R.S.
Town Sanitarian	Jack Milkofsky, R.S.
Mosquito Control Director	Roland Lessard
Secretary	Isabell Hyduck

INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

Chairman	Frank Mathes (R)
Vice Chairman	George F. Palmer (D)
Secretary	Betsy Ranelli (R)
Kathryn Meyer (R)	Peter J. Knox (R)
James C. Lubs (R)	Marge Whipple (D)
Alternate Members	Anthony Easton (D)
Joseph Montano (D)	Ruth Merrill (R)
Clerk	Marion Carpenter

## JURY COMMITTEE

Joseph D'Ambrosio

Dorothy Gayeski

Marion Carpenter

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Earl Endrich (R)

Joan Fenger (R)

William H. Flint (R)

Donald Kemble (R)

Paul Cianfaglione (D)

Elliott Sparaco (D)

Earl Lockhart (D)

Janet Palmer (D)

Rita Henning (D)

James Crozier (D)

Carlo Viggiano (R)

Jean B. Winkler (R)

Mary D. Lubs (R)

Shirley Von Dassel (R)

Eva B. Root (D)

Peter Trantino (D)

## OPEN BURNING OFFICIAL

Fred Fitch

## PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Director

Roger Goodnow

Superintendent of Recreation

Vicki Duffy

Secretary

Dorothea O. Ladinig

Recreation Program Supervisor

Carleton Laverty

Part Time Secretary

Natalie Kuehneman

## PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Chairman

Dr. Milton O. Clark (R)

Vice Chairman

Dorothy H. Kosicki (R)

Secretary

Patricia Kehoe (D)

Donald Durkee (R)

William J. Kavanagh (D)

Sherwood Harvey (R)

Lourdes (Queeny) Sheehan (D)

## PENSION BOARD

Chairman

John A. Carey

William M. Willard

Barbara J. Maynard

William McKenna

## PLANNING COMMISSION

Chairman

Kenneth Gibble (R)

Vice Chairman

J. Sherman Mitchell (R)

Secretary

Andrew L. Koches (D)

Kathryn Meyer (R)

Charles A. Hall, Jr. (R)

Alternate Members

Robert P. Sadler (R)

Anthony T. Bianca, Jr. (D)

Richard Ferraguto (R)

Clerk

Marion Carpenter

## POLICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Thomas Decker (R)

William J. Dawson (R)

Jean B. Winkler (R)

Ernest Sparaco (R)

George L. Wright, Jr. (D)



PROBATE COURT JUDGE

Elton D. Rhodes (R)

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES

Supervisor

Barbara S. Hill, R.N.

Senior Nurse

Valerie Milardo, R.N.

Catherine Custer, R.N.

Jo-Anne Kelly, R.N.

Nancy Kenefick, R.N.

Secretary-Bookkeeper

Barbara Rivers

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING BOARD

Chairman

Richard Swan

Vice Chairman

Corrine R. Ingallis

Secretary

Anne D. Kowalski

William J. Martin

Dr. Donald E. Cook

Joseph E. Salustro

Frances Willard

John Kosicki

Alma Reveley

Barbara J. Maynard

REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY

REPRESENTATIVES

J. Sherman Mitchell

Anthony T. Bianca, Jr.

(res. 12/77)

(appt. 12/77)

Paul M. Sullivan

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Joan Fenger (R)

Gretrude Walsh (D)

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

Secretary to Selectmen

Linnie M. Barnes

Clerical Assistant

Christal Luck (C.E.T.A.)

Bookkeeper

Gloria G. Roberts

Assistant Bookkeeper

Dolores A. Newman

Administrative Assistant

Albert Carlson

TAX COLLECTOR

Olive P. Mulvihill (R)

Assistant

Dorothy Dempsey

TAX REVIEW, BOARD OF

Chairman

William H. Flint (R)

Helen G. Eukers (D)

Mary D. Lubs (R)

## TOWN CLERK AND REGISTRAR

## OF VITAL STATISTICS

Assistant Town Clerk

Clerk

Charles L. Doherty, Jr. (R)

Julia Habrukovich (res. 3/78)

Jeanne Kelly (4/78)

Erna Miserocchi (5/78)

## TOWN COUNSEL

Assistant Town Counsel

Michael E. Cronin, Jr.

Richard T. O'Connell

## TOWN TREASURER AND AGENT

## OF TOWN DEPOSIT FUND

Gloria C. Fogg (R)

## TREE WARDEN

John Champion, Jr.

## WATERFRONT COMMISSION

Chairman

David Shuck (R)

Howard Richardson (R)

David Shannon (D)

David Squires (R)

Patrick Barry (D)

Clerk

Karen O'Neill

## RIVER TRAFFIC CONTROL

Director and Marine Constable

James N. Barnes

Special Marine Constable

Leroy Strohla

## DOCK MASTER

Jim Mitchell

## HARBOR MASTER

Charles A. Marland

## WELFARE ADMINISTRATOR

Albert Carlson

## YOUTH AND FAMILY

## SERVICES COMMISSION

Chairman

Patricia Vernon

Vice Chairman

Edward Knapp

Barbara S. Hill, R.N.

Dr. Peter Demas (res. 6/78)

Roger Goodnow

Pressley Millen

Peter Dion

Turi Brunswick

## YOUTH AND FAMILY

## SERVICES STAFF

Executive Director

Salvatore A. D'Amico, M.A.

Counselor-Consultant

Gregory L. Cahn, M.S.W.

(res. 5/78)

Gary Porter, M.S. (6/78)

Community Social Worker

Janet B. LeBlanc, B.S.S.W.

Secretary/Big Sister Coord.

Catherine A. Sola, B.S.

Juvenile Officer

Ellen DeRevere



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Chairman	Donald Kemble (R)
Secretary	Carl Von Dassel (R)
James Crozier (D)	Henry Jendzejec (D)
Charles Stone (R)	
Alternate Members	Edward Marcolini (R)
William Neer (R)	Susan C. Wind (D)
Clerk	Isabell Hyduck

ZONING COMMISSION

Chairman	Phyllis T. Folsom (R)
Vice Chairman	Edward F. McSweegan, Jr. (D)
Secretary	Robert A. Massa (R)
George Steele (R)	Betsy Ranelli (R)
Alternate Members	Jordan Butler (R)
Elaine Newgarden (D)	Charles L. Ficker (R)
Clerk	Marion Carpenter

ZONING DEPARTMENT

Zoning Enforcement Officer	Robert J. Walsh
Deputy Zoning Enforcement Officer and Secretary	Marion Carpenter

## OLD SAYBROOK ORGANIZATIONS AND CHURCHES

Name of Organization	Director	Phone
AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION	Dr. Peter Demas	911
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN	Mrs. Allen Graham	526-3258
AMERICAN LEGION AND AUXILIARY—FAULK— MARCOLINI—NEWMAN POST	William Chapel	388-2293
AMERICAN RED CROSS	Mrs. Almon Webster	388-3167
ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE, INC.	Thomas Romano, Pres.	669-9947
AUDUBON SOCIETY (POTAPAug)	J. F. Koch	434-8537
BOY SCOUTS AND CUB SCOUTS	Thomas G. Mathers	388-0549
B.P.O.E. (ELKS)	William R. Goddu	399-9191
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.	Charles A. Marland	388-3266
COLONIAL SAYBROOK FIFES AND DRUMS	William Reid	399-6571
FRIENDS OF ACTON LIBRARY	Mrs. John K. Cochran	388-0179
GIRL SCOUTS	Mrs. R. G. Koehler	388-9351
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (FATHER HUSSION COUNCIL) (THE FATHER PHILIP SHERIDAN ASSEMBLY FOURTH DEGREE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR)	Joseph Fazzino, Sr.  Joseph J. Ranelli	767-8983  388-3330
LOWER VALLEY 60 CLUB	Mrs. Elliot B. Eldridge	767-8021
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS	Mrs. Milton O. Clark	388-9774



OLD SAYBROOK CAMPING ASSOCIATION	Elmer G. E. Johnson	388-3712
OLD SAYBROOK EXCHANGE CLUB	Spencer Quinin	—
OLD SAYBROOK GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. John A. Ingersoll	388-4240
OLD SAYBROOK GRANGE No. 198	Mrs. Barbara Gardiner	388-3831
OLD SAYBROOK HISTORICAL SOCIETY	James B. Platt	388-4228
OLD SAYBROOK JAYCEES	Barry O'Neill	388-5890
OLD SAYBROOK LIONS CLUB	Dr. Matthew E. Elgart	388-4142
OLD SAYBROOK LIONESS	Mrs. Richard Trott	388-4339
OLD SAYBROOK MUSIC BOOSTERS	Mrs. David Sheehan	388-4892
OLD SAYBROOK P.T.O. GOODWIN SCHOOL MAIN STREET JR. HIGH SCHOOL	Mrs. Eugene M. Clifford Mrs. Robert B. Cubeta Mrs. Pressly M. Millen	388-0220 388-4900 388-4204
OLD SAYBROOK RACQUET AND SWIM CLUB	Walter Sadowski	434-9788
OLD SAYBROOK TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION	Mrs. Alfred Kratzert	434-1443
OLD SAYBROOK WOMEN'S CLUB	Mrs. Raymond Edgecombe	388-3337
PLANNED PARENTHOOD LEAGUE OF CONN.	Janet Smith	434-5820
RAM BOOSTERS OF OLD SAYBROOK	Jordan Butler	388-3184
ROTARY CLUB OF OLD SAYBROOK	Kenneth Gibble	388-3733
SAYBROOK POWER SQUADRON	Murray A. Warner Madison, Conn.	245-2955
SHORELINE CLUB 60	Ruth Follows	767-1738
SHORELINE JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB	Mrs. Richard T. Walsh	434-7198

SILOAM LODGE No. 32, AF AND AM	Chester C. Campbell	399-9534
SING-OUT GROUP	Angus McDonald	388-4609
SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND MARINES	Harold C. Deming	388-4351
SOROPTOMIST CLUB OF THE LOWER CONN. RIVER VALLEY	Betty Jane Cosenza	767-1641
UNITED SCANDINAVIAN SOCIETY, INC.	Allan G. Larson	526-3452
VALLEY SHORE MANAGEMENT	Thomas H. Welch, Jr.	669-2627
VALLEY SHORE Y.M.C.A. GREY Y, HI-Y, Indian Guides	Carl F. Muller	399-6296
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS	Martin L. Murphy	388-3271
WELCOME WAGON NEWCOMERS' CLUB	Lucille Kelly	388-9366

#### CHURCHES AND CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

ASSEMBLY OF GOD TEMPLE	Rev. Stahl 26 Great Hammock
EMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH	Rev. Francis Gardner 195 Old Boston Post Road
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST (CONGREGATIONAL)	Rev. David DeRevere 366 Main Street
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST	25 Old Boston Post Road
GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH	Rev. Henry T. Folsom 336 Main Street
MIRACLE TEMPLE	Father Pemberton
ST. JOHN'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH	Father Eugene Solega and Father Stan Szczapa 185 Main Street
ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH	Rev. Jay Tichenor (Resigned 6/78) Great Hammock Road



## **HISTORICAL INFORMATION**

Taken from hand written records by Mrs. Harriet Chesebrough in 1876.

### **CONCERNING INDUSTRIES AND ROADS IN THE EARLY DAYS OF SAYBROOK**

The West-India trade was early an alluring path of adventure; prosecuted with vigor, and rich in returns. The colonists had always the good will of Cromwell, and in relation to them, he allowed his navigation act to become a dead letter; so that they received the commodities of all nations free of duty; and sent their ships at will to all the English ports of Continental Europe. Some were employed in the service of other ports; which with the coasting trade, enlisted many families for successive generations, in maritime pursuits. Taking of shad and salmon before the days of steam navigation was eagerly pursued. Little piers for drawing nets, having each a distinctive name, once dotted the mouth of Connecticut River. The hauls of shad were sometimes fabulous; to preserve which created a dearth of salt in the town. Ship building was carried on to a limited extent. Mercantile and agricultural pursuits always found favor. Manufactures further than converting into clothing the staple products of the soil by handicraft, were little practiced in Colonial days. A windmill built by Lion Gardiner near the Neck Gate was a feature in the landscape nearly 200 years. For grinding operations it was supplanted in 1660 by a gristmill, near where Robert Chalker now lives. As it ground all the grain in town, it became a center from which several roads radiated. That running north over Ingham Hill, intersected the one running from Lieutenant William Pratt's settlement, to that of Robert Lay, in the north of Westbrook. Chester began to be settled in 1695 but had no gristmill before 1743 and no road to the Town house before 1735, and probably patronized both the road and the Bushnell Mill. The road running east skirted Mill Rock, and the Head of Oyster River; and so on to the Ferry, for the convenience of that part of the town, and also Lyme; intersecting Main Street near the Junction. Another road ran south from the Mill, then westerly at the base of Beacon Hill, and northwest to the saw-mill. This road known as the Clapboard hill road, was an outlet for the lumber business of Joseph Ingham, at the head of the Fishing Brook; then a considerable stream abounding with trout, which after the cutting off of the forests forsook their ambushed haunts. These roads at first were only bridle paths for pack-horses, which soon widened by the axe into cart-paths for oxen; with trees crowding close on either side. Not till 1680 was the road laid out from Saybrook to Killingworth (now Clinton) by order of the General Court; and furnished with safe

bridges for carts and oxen, over the streams. Oyster River was a deep tidal stream, with soft bottom; which somewhat baffled the engineering of that day, and early bridges were submerged and made hazardous by Equinoctial gales and tides. Bridges over the Pychaug and Hamonasset suffered less. Colonial roads all crooked to avoid swamps and hills, and to meet the requirements of settlers, who in little clearings had established Homesteads. Houses, barns, woodpiles and pig-pens all crowded on the street; a necessity before the ground was cleared of forests abounding with wild beasts. The peninsula known as Saybrook Point was laid out by Lion Gardiner with a Green in the Center; around which clustered the two first Church buildings, the school house, hotel and houses of many of the early settlers. It was a compact community for safety as well as social advantages. Outlying lands before 1650 were used as commons; after that each proprietor began to fence and improve his grant. Roads were many of them known as lanes. The street on north side of the Green was called "Middle Lane"; that on the south side "Back Lane"; the road to Cornfield Point "Neck Lane"; that running past the present residence of Nathaniel Williams was known as "Pennywise Lane"; that toward the ferry "Ferry Lane". No system of roads existed in Connecticut before 1700; no turnpike roads were chartered till after the Revolution.

By Royal authority a Post office established in Boston 1694, conveyed the mails thence to New York and New England Colonies but probably with no very regular means of communication. In 1708 John Campbell, Postmaster at Boston, wrote to the Governor and Council of Connecticut offering to establish a constant post between Hartford and Saybrook. How frequent this was we can only judge from the fact that in 1715, the Western Post left Boston for Connecticut and New York once in a fortnight in winter, probably once a week in summer. The first Post Office in Saybrook was established in 1793. Journeys from one town to another previous to 1750 were largely done in the saddle; when horses were obliged to leap small streams, ford wider ones, and swim those not too deep. Any wheeled vehicle of lighter construction than on oxcart would have gone to pieces, or been endangered. The first chaise set up at Saybrook belonged to Judge Samuel Lynde about 1750; and when the imperial vehicle appeared on the Sabbath holding himself and his wife (a grand daughter of Governor Winthrop; whose death soon after Mr. Hart thus records, "Died and undoubtedly gone to Heaven, Lucy wife of Judge Samuel Lynde") men paraded in front of the Meeting-house looked at each other askance, questioning whether the rolling of a pleasure vehicle on other than week-day, were right. The town however at once set itself to the task of aiding and improving nature in the way of roads. In 1740 it was



voted that the road from Patapogue to town through Obeds plain, shall be 8 rods wide; the highway from the Ferry to Patapogue 6 rods wide; that branch leading to Mr. Ayer's 3 rods wide. At Ayers Point was a shipyard; and here early in the Revolutionary war was built David Bushnell's "American Turtle" with which was made the first attempt in submarine warfare.

The grating of cards, buzzing of the wheel and rattle of the hand-loom, converted into cloth the staple materials raised by the settlers. Dye-pots in chimney corners and the fullers art at Charles Bushnell's mill, preceded the annual rounds of the Tailor, in fashioning articles of clothing. Later on, we find grandmothers in cloth-habits and satin Cloak with grandfathers in broadcloth and Camlet; thus encouraging merchandizing. Items from the Day-Book of John Tully in 1750 prove his store to have been a mart for Dry-Goods, groceries, household utensils, and c. This stood where William Tully's house now stands. The terrace in front was walled high enough for females to mount and dismount their pacers when they came to trade. Day Book No. 6 has charges as follows. Samuel Shipman 2  $\frac{1}{4}$  yards of Fustian—5 yards Orenburg—1 stick Mohair

Alexander Chalker 2 quts of rum

Uncle Caleb Chapman  $\frac{1}{2}$  quire of paper—1 Ink stand

Daniel Buckingham 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  yards thick Felt—14 Britches buttons

Dea. Lords wife 12 yards of Calimanco

Uncle Humphrey Pratt 1 Royal Primer

Hanley Bushnell 1 dozen Pipes

Ebenezer Bushnells wife 7 yards Silk Damask—2  $\frac{1}{2}$  yards Satin

Ribbon

James Bushnell one Pewter Chamber pot

Elijah Blague one cake of soap

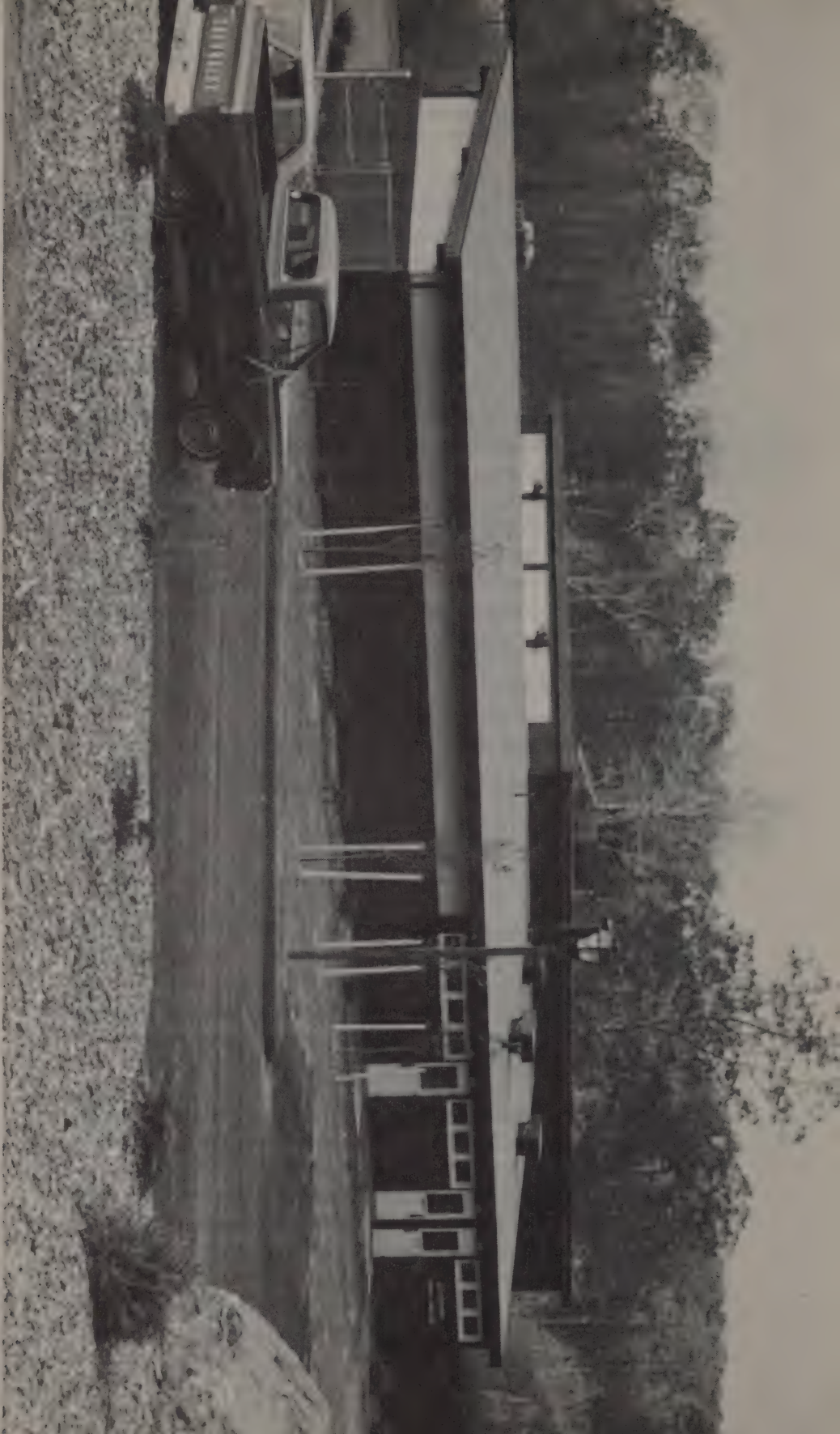
Widow Williams 14 yards of Silk Crape

Hannah Mather 13  $\frac{1}{2}$  yards Silk Crape—1 black gauze Handerkchief

Mrs. Lucretia Chapman 1 scarlet cloak—12 yards of ribbon

Uncle Elias Tully (by Phyllis) credit by two pairs of shoes.

Charges for Bonnet-paper, snuff, Book instructors, Manchester velvet nippers, flints, knee-buckles, fans, razors, brooms, buck-shot, and c follow each other down the pages. His sign bore the inscription "West-India and East-India Goods". Some of these were imported in his own vessels, coming direct to his hands. The proprietors also did a profitable business Insuring vessels. This store commanded the trade of surrounding towns.



The new Old Saybrook Town Garage and Animal Shelter constructed during 1977-1978.

## **SECTION II**

### **REPORT FROM YOUR BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

As the song title goes—"it was a very good year". Also a busy and productive year as Matt, Phil and I can testify.

The activity in the Selectmen's office increases yearly; at times we find ourselves overwhelmed with paper work required by State or Federal agencies. The most enjoyable part of this elected office is the daily contact with our people.

In July 1977 we saw the completion of the Elm Street Industrial Area Water Line installation project, which immediately produced positive results through expansion of existing industrial facilities and an increase in the number of employees working at the sites. This project was paid for through a grant from the Farmers Home Administration.

Early in the fiscal year a contract for the construction of a new Town Garage and Animal Shelter was signed with Rudolph Netsch. This facility which has been needed for many years is at this writing, occupied, operational, and already proving its worth.

During the Winter school vacation, the Schoolhouse Road Railroad Bridge was completely redecked. The deteriorated condition of the 50 year old bridge surface would not continue to support the vehicle loads using the bridge. This project was accomplished in 1 ½ days, which greatly reduced the inconvenience to residents north of the railroad tracks.

The Indiantown Bridge over the west end of the harbor was partially redecked, with the remainder of the redecking work scheduled for the Fall of 1978.

We continued with the corrections to drainage problems, the catch basin yearly cleaning, regular litter pick-up schedules, resurfacing and sweeping the almost 70 miles of Town roads, and the Fall leaf pick-up schedule. Grants made available for improving the safety of our highways were taken advantage of, enabling us to stripe roads, and to install necessary regulatory signs.

Vandalism to street signs is a serious problem. Missing street signs could delay an ambulance, police car or fire apparatus responding to an emergency. Please discourage the practice of sign collecting among young people if you can.



The Civil Preparedness Emergency Plan for Old Saybrook is reviewed twice yearly—once before hurricane season, and prior to the winter storm season. Old Saybrook has a very sophisticated communications network. At no time, in any kind of emergency, would we be out of touch.

The approximately 14,000 tons of solid waste collected in Old Saybrook and delivered to the Transfer Station are presently being trucked to the Rocky Hill Landfill. The disposition of our solid waste when Rocky Hill is closed, is still unknown. We are constantly in contact with the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection and have been assured that an approved disposal area will be made available for Old Saybrook when necessary.

We have indicated our intent to join the Connecticut Resource Recovery System as soon as a facility is constructed within a reasonable distance. It would seem as though it would be 1982-83 before we have this facility. This facility will separate metals and glass for recycling and burn the residue which is converted to a marketable fuel.

At this writing we are beginning to provide a second compactor unit attached to the west end of the present control building at the Transfer Station. This will provide us with a back-up unit in case of mechanical failure, more storage reserve area, and sufficient equipment for our heavy volume months, March through September. The Transfer Station will have been in operation three years this January. Its operation has been very successful, and we have had very little downtime. With the increase in town growth, it is evident that the expansion planned for at the time of construction is necessary now.

This past year saw major improvements to the Baldwin Bridge launching area. Our recreational boating activity increases every year. The North Cove is filled to capacity with more than 80 boat owners waiting for one of the 150 moorings. Our marine patrol program is vitally important to this boat activity; the mouth of the Connecticut River is recognized as one of the busiest boating areas on the East Coast.

It was necessary to increase the duties and hours of our Fire Marshal this year to comply with State statutes. We are in the process of training two members of the Old Saybrook Fire Department to be certified marshals to assist the Fire Marshal and his assistant.

The Winter of 1977-78 brought us another severe season. Snow removal and salt and sand expenses were extremely high. Drifting of loose snow over rural roads made it necessary to repeatedly plow and sand between storms which came frequently.

The highlight of the Winter season was the Magic Kingdom Ball held one night after a blizzard at the Senior High School in January! Approximately 550 people danced to beautiful music in a setting which had to be seen to be believed. Four months of concentrated work by dozens of volunteers made it possible to raise funds which greatly assisted in sending our High School Band to Disney World in April.

The center section of the Town Report contains pictures of the Band's Florida trip.

Old Saybrook continues to enjoy a very stable financial structure. Our mill rate continues to be one of the lowest. Our balance between residential, commercial and industrial growth, and a conservative approach to spending is responsible for the financial stability.

This administration is constantly alert to threats of infringement upon our self-governing independence.

A sincere "thank you" is extended to Old Saybrook's civic organizations who contribute so much to our community in all areas. This Board is particularly conscious of their efforts, as many of the projects are results of suggestions from our Board.

Old Saybrook is a lovely, livable community. So many new residents come into our office to exclaim about the warmth and friendliness they experience. Many residents, forced to leave due to job transfers, etc., indicate they have never regretted leaving a community so much.

This desirable environment is due to the pride, kindred spirits, compassion and concern of all of you, the residents of Old Saybrook, Connecticut.

It is our honor and pleasure to serve you all as—

BARBARA J. MAYNARD,  
First Selectwoman

PHILIP F. RANELLI,  
Selectman

MATTHEW T. HOEY,  
Selectman

## REPORT OF THE ACTON PUBLIC LIBRARY



**Staff of Acton Public Library**

The year 1977-1978 went quickly at the Acton Public Library with books and staff services in great demand. An all-time circulation high was reached with 96,351 books taken out while 2,041 new books were acquired and 8,530 questions were answered for the public. Twenty-one programs were presented with an average attendance of sixty people and forty-four exhibits were displayed.

The children's activities continued to grow! Several summer story hours were offered in addition to our two year-round weekly groups. One hundred and three children participated in the Mountaineers Reading Club during the past July and August.

Sunday library hours were strongly supported again this year especially by young students.

Our twenty-five volunteers donated hundreds of hours of their time to keep things running smoothly while the Friends of the Acton Public Library sustain their active, innovative, invaluable support. The Garden Club maintained generous care of our flowers and shrubs.

Some much needed items were received by the library as gifts: a new book stack, a large room-darkening curtain necessary for our daytime film programs, and a collection of large-type books.



Concerned with energy conservation, the Library Board undertook a successful plan of limited light reduction within the building. The stacks were rearranged with the goal of opening up space for programs and additional shelving.

It was indeed a busy and productive year made possible by the support of a good staff, our local government, and a concerned community.

There is no doubt that the library is receiving enthusiastic support from the community and that library services are continually growing.

In a shorter time than was conceived possible the Acton Public Library has become an informational and recreational center. The rise in circulation, the increased use of reference material, and the number of requests for information indicate that the library is of paramount importance to the people of Old Saybrook. What is also evident is the popularity of the programs offered to both children and adults.

Being aware of this, the board has decided it must establish the direction of this growth. Proliferation of programs and acquisition of as many books and magazines as possible, according to the theory that more is better, would not necessarily ensure orderly expansion. Choices must be made. What kind of books are to be added to the permanent collection? How much fiction? What kind? What type of programs to present and, ultimately, what connection do they have with the aim of any good public library; do they enhance in an active way the knowledge and entertainment to be found in books?

Since the functions of a library depend on the community in which it is established, the answers to the questions posed above ought to come, for the most part, from the same community. To that end questionnaires were distributed to as many people as possible to elicit responses to detailed questions covering all the services the library provides.

The board will be able to judge from the opinions expressed by those returning the questionnaires what their priorities are and in which areas most people agree. In this way the particular needs of this library for this community may be incorporated in any plan for future development.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN McKINLAY, Chairman  
Acton Public Library Board

Board Members: Mrs. William Bush, Mrs. Barbara Dannaher, Mr. Richard Dyson, Dr. Wilhelmina Newfield, Dr. David Schreiber, Mrs. Louise Tietjen and Mrs. William Tucker.

#### THE STAFF

Fran Barba  
Reference Librarian  
Janet Hess  
Children's Librarian  
Helene Johnston  
Library Assistant  
Rona McCarthy  
Library Assistant  
Henry White  
Custodian

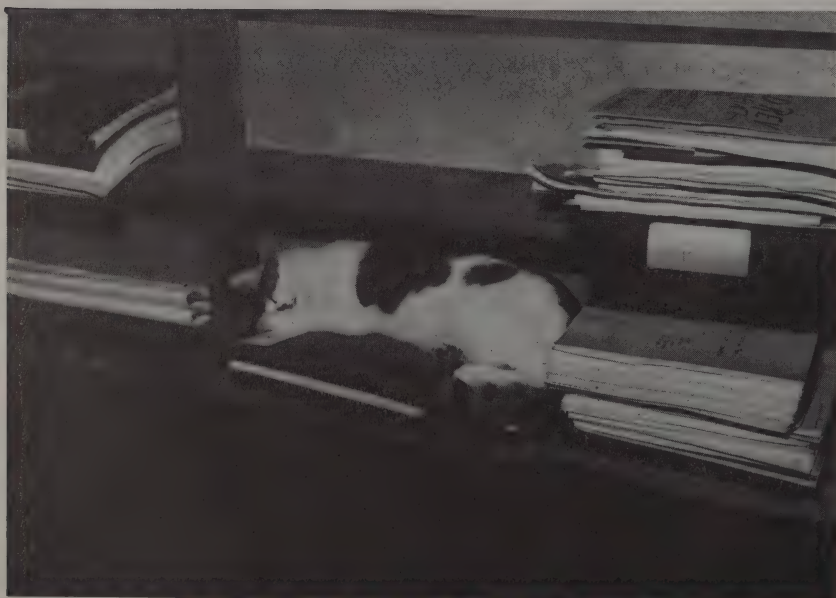
Marge Valentine  
Library Assistant  
Marcia Fratianni  
Library Assistant  
Debra Messersmith  
Library Assistant  
Marci Alborghetti  
Library Page

#### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday	1:00-8:30
Wednesday, Friday and Saturday	9:00-5:00
Sundays (January - March)	1:00-5:00

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET MEEHAN,  
Librarian



"Dudley", a frequent visitor to the Town Hall!

## **REPORT OF THE OLD SAYBROOK AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION**

The year ended May 31, 1978, saw continued growth and strength in your Old Saybrook Ambulance Association. A new van type ambulance was purchased to replace the old red Cadillac, a Rescue truck was acquired, outfitted and dedicated to the memory of one of the members of the Ambulance Association, Richard C. Oles, whose untimely death left a void in the membership.

The Association now has two ambulances and one Rescue truck, all completely outfitted with the latest emergency equipment and staffed by 40 dedicated volunteers.

The Association continues to average over 45 calls per month for emergency service on a 24 hour-a-day basis, 365 days a year.

The By-Laws of the Association were amended in order to give strength and a broadening aspect to the Association and also provided that the Coordinator (Paul R. Dorothy), who is responsible for the day-to-day activities, be named President of the Association. A new position, Chairman of the Board of Directors, was created for the executive responsible for the administrative functions of the Association.

A new Treasurer was elected, Mr. Douglas H. Olsen; a new Secretary, Janice H. Oles; and Dr. Peter Demas was named as Chairman of the Board to replace the founding President and Chairman, Alfred G. McCausland.

The service given to the people of Old Saybrook deserves better financial support. It seems to be impossible to get over the 2,000 mark in membership. Every family and every business in Old Saybrook should be a member of the Ambulance Association. It is your annual fee that provides the equipment and personnel, ready at a moment's notice, whenever an emergency strikes. **MAKE OLD SAYBROOK A 100% TOWN.**

The Old Saybrook Ambulance Association is not supported by your tax dollars; it is a completely independent organization supported by yearly membership dues and some private donations. No Old Saybrook resident is automatically eligible for Ambulance Service by virtue of his being a taxpayer. You are only a member through payment of the yearly fee of \$10.00.



## REPORT OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, FAULK-MARCOLINI-NEWMAN POST 113

### POST OFFICERS 1978-79

William O. Chapel, Commander	Harold Deming, Sr., Service Off.
Arnold F. Benson, Jr., Senior Vice	W. Frazier Brinley, Chaplain
Robert H. Weinsckenk, Junior Vice	Lee Williams, Historian
Arthur Paul, Adjutant	Milton Moritz, Judge Advocate
Joseph Nanfito, Finance Officer	Helen Parsons, Sergeant-At-Arms

For God and Country, We associate ourselves together for the following purposes: To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the great wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the Community, State and Nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

#### Primary Activities of the year:

1. Annual Family Picnic
2. Veterans' and Memorial Day Services
3. Thanksgiving Day Dinner for Senior Citizens
4. Hospital Visits
5. Children's Christmas and Easter Party
6. Oratorical Contest
7. Joseph B. Pedinelli Award: Citizenship Award
8. Boys State and Girls State
9. American Legion Baseball
10. Poppy Drive
11. Saturday Night Dances
12. Annual Carnival

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM O. CHAPEL,  
Commander

# REPORT OF THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

The October 1, 1977, Grand List showed a net taxable increase of \$2,002,698 which provided additional tax revenue as follows:

Net Taxable Increase	\$2,002,698
Mill Rate	× .037
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	\$74,099.83
GRAND LIST BY CLASS OF PROPERTY	
Real Estate	81.07%
Motor Vehicles	6.60%
Personal Property	12.33%
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	100.00%

Work on the October 1, 1979, revaluation is progressing on schedule with most of the field inspections now completed.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER BIRCK, Assessor

## FINAL GRAND LIST—OCTOBER 1, 1978

REAL ESTATE	1976	1977	(+) or (—)
Gross	\$102,835,120	\$104,399,130	\$1,564,010 (+)
Military Exemption	1,112,500	1,126,700	14,200 (+)
Blind	39,000	42,000	3,000 (+)
Disability	18,000	23,000	5,000 (+)
Elderly	123,500	118,167	5,333 (—)
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Net	\$101,542,120	\$103,089,263	\$1,547,143 (+)
MOTOR VEHICLES			
Gross	\$ 7,750,400	\$ 8,566,030	\$ 815,630 (+)
Military Exemption	149,850	166,770	16,920 (+)
Disability		1,000	1,000 (+)
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Net	\$ 7,600,550	\$ 8,398,260	\$ 797,710 (+)
PERSONAL PROPERTY			
Gross	\$ 16,026,506	\$ 15,684,901	\$ 341,605 (—)
Military Exemption	880	1,430	550 (+)
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Net	\$ 16,025,626	\$ 15,683,471	\$ 342,155 (—)
TOTALS			
Gross	\$126,612,026	\$128,650,061	\$2,038,035 (+)
Military Exemption	1,263,230	1,294,900	31,670 (+)
Blind	39,000	42,000	3,000 (+)
Disability	18,000	24,000	6,000 (+)
Elderly	123,500	118,167	5,333 (—)
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NET TAXABLE	\$125,168,296	\$127,170,994	\$2,002,698 (+)

## **REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

For the first time in the history of the Old Saybrook Building Department the estimated construction value for building permits issued exceeded the five million dollar mark. This is indicative of cost increases. However, it also reflects the activity of the department.

Sixty-six new homes plus nineteen condominium units were built this year. Three hundred fifty-two permits were issued for other work including renovations, repairs and alterations to residential property and commercial construction.

The department exceeded their anticipated receipts by \$5,705. A total of \$26,705 was collected in building permit fees.

Numerous changes in local and national codes have increased the workload as far as consultation with applicants, paperwork, issuance of permits and inspection procedures. With more and more emphasis on land management as prescribed by Federal regulations; making buildings accessible to the physically handicapped and attention to energy and conservation measures we constantly aim to keep up with the latest trends. Such changes inevitably affect all phases of the building and construction trade.

Mrs. Elaine Staplins, Office Manager and myself as Building Official comprise the staff of the department. This past year marked my eighth year with the department.

We wish to express our appreciation to those offices and departments that we deal with on a daily basis as well as extend our thanks to the general public for their patience and cooperation.

ROBERT J. KELLY,  
Building Official  
Town of Old Saybrook

## **REPORT OF THE OLD SAYBROOK CIVIL PREPAREDNESS DIRECTOR**

A recent Hurricane meeting demonstrated how much we learned from our Emergency Operations Plan. The attendance at this meeting was excellent and the input as to new town problems will guide us in updating the present plan. All departments are updating their plans and annexes so that these changes may be sent to Civil Preparedness headquarters in Hartford. This procedure must be followed to qualify for matching funds from the Federal Government.



In the past year we have seen four new people come in to the department. Joseph Prevost was appointed in December as Deputy Coordinator to fill the vacancy when Art Labaree resigned. Mike Gozzo, another ham operator, has joined the organization, and this puts our staff back to four men with ham licenses. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Elliott have joined as Radiological Officers. They have recently finished home study courses and are now awaiting further courses put on by State and Federal agencies.

Once again Civil Preparedness Headquarters was called to help coordinate Police, Fire and Town Road crews with snow removal during the numerous winter storms. Special attention was given to streets where doctors, nurses, fire and ambulance personnel and police personnel reside, so the roads would be open in case of emergency. A constant check was made on all town roads to be sure they were open to emergency equipment. In areas where town equipment was failing to keep roads open, payloaders and bulldozers were contracted to do the work. It was also decided that in the absence of the First Selectwoman, Fire Chief Baldi and Civil Preparedness Director Elmer Johnson will have the authority to contract for heavy equipment where it is needed. For the first time payloaders and small plows were used as a team to widen roads and clear intersections. The proof of the success of this plan was that twelve hours after one of the town's worst storms in years, all town roads were open to two way traffic. As in all emergencies, fire and ambulance personnel were available at their stations around the clock in the serious storms. Firemen again sent out crews to shovel out hydrants for the protection of home owners.

I again want to thank the Board of Selectmen, Board of Finance, Fire Chief Ron Baldi, Police Chief Mosca, Paul Dorothy and George Allen of the Ambulance Association, and Barbara Hill of the Public Health Nursing Board for their continued effort to keep our Emergency Operations Plan one of the most workable in Middlesex County. I would also like to extend my thanks to Elliott Sparaco of the Board of Education, Jack Milkofsky of the Health Department, Roger Goodnow of Park and Recreation, John Champion of the Public Works Department and many others, too numerous to mention, for when the Civil Preparedness Agency has the backing of the above departments, Old Saybrook is in good hands.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER M. JOHNSON,  
Director of Civil Preparedness

## **REPORT OF THE CONNECTICUT RIVER ESTUARY REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY**

In the fiscal year of 1977-1978 the Agency celebrated its tenth anniversary in its new quarters at Hitchcock Corner on the Westbrook Road. The Agency consists of two delegate members from each of the nine member towns and a planning staff. During the past year Old Saybrook's Board of Selectman was represented by Mr. Paul M. Sullivan and, with the resignation of Mr. Sherman Mitchell, the Planning Commission appointed Mr. Anthony Bianca. As a Regional Planning Agency, CRERPA is primarily responsible for assembling data and performing planning duties in such areas as land use, housing, transportation, water pollution, and sewage and waste disposal. It suggests policies and ways to accomplish certain goals on a coordinated basis.

The major source of funds to carry on the work of the Agency are grants, or payments for specific services, received from Federal, State or local governmental agencies. There is also a yearly per capita contribution by each of the member towns, which is currently 55 cents per person.

The Agency assists and acts as a clearing house and information center for the Lower Connecticut Valley Selectmen's Association in their consideration of common problems. It is of assistance in providing a coordinated approach to federal and State agencies or representatives, and in providing information on various governmental assistance programs that may be available to local towns.

During the year two new committees were formed within the Agency. The Water Quality Advisory Committee will consider and study all planning matters relating to the maintenance and improvement of water quality in the estuary region. The new Housing Advisory Committee will serve in an advisory capacity to the Agency in the preparation and review of all housing-related studies in which CRERPA is involved.

The latter committee has determined that housing for elderly people is a critical need in the area, and has suggested that the Agency staff give particular attention to this facet of the housing situation. The Agency's "Housing Needs Analysis" was distributed in November, 1977 to the boards and commissioners of the towns in the region. After a public hearing in April, 1978, at the Essex Town Hall, a final document was adopted as part of the Regional Plan of Development. It outlined definite housing needs in the near future, and pointed out that

the region has several limitations working against the development of needed low and moderate cost ownership, rental and multiple family housing.

Early in 1978, the Connecticut Coastal Area Management Board, as Advisor to the State Commissioner of Environmental Protection, sought public consideration of proposed legislation relating to coastal area problems. After lengthy consideration, the Agency adopted the position that, although sympathetic to the general purpose of the proposed legislation, it questioned the need of the additional legislation and opposed the proposal as being unclear as to specific aims, regulations, and delegation of powers.

The State Office of Planning and Management held regional public hearings, one in Essex, asking for comments on the proposed update of the State Plan of Development. CRERPA reviewed the plan revision and stated its position. The Agency made several specific comments and expressed the opinion that the proposed document was confusing and redundant and an attempt to be all things to all people. A more concise, less ambivalent statement was suggested.

Recognizing the importance of preserving the architectural heritage of the Estuary Region, CRERPA applied for, and received, a grant enabling the Agency to undertake the cataloging of significant structures in the region. This project is under way with the able assistance of the Historical Societies and the volunteer efforts of interested citizens.

The Agency has taken an active part in the activities of the Connecticut River Committee which is concerned with all issues affecting the river basin, particularly the proposal to divert water from the river to Boston. CRERPA is also active in various sewage disposal and water pollution problems.

Looking forward to the second decade of its participation in regional affairs, CRERPA expects it will be much more deeply involved in the analysis and study of the increasingly complex regional land usage, transportation and environmental problems that can hardly be efficiently handled on a town-by-town basis. The Agency will continue to maintain an efficient planning staff and look to the increasing participation of interested and thoughtful townspeople as representative of what area residents desire in the way of "quality of life" in the Estuary Region.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL M. SULLIVAN



## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The purpose of the Conservation Commission is to protect the natural assets of the Town—the marshes, waters, air, soil, green spaces, wildlife. It investigates, monitors, studies, provides public information, and makes recommendations to Town, state and federal agencies in regard to specific activities and proposed legislation and ordinances that have an impact on the natural environment.

Any resident may ask the Conservation Commission to investigate any situation that appears to be harmful to the Town's natural resources and/or contrary to laws and ordinances affecting them. The Commission holds regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in Town Hall.

The State Department of Environmental Protection and federal agencies notify the Commission of applications for regulated activities in tidal wetlands and waterways that it may offer testimony for or against such applications. The Commission has a member who sits on the Inland Wetlands Commission which regulates activities in inland marshes and streams.

During the past year, the Commission received and examined five applications to the State Department of Environmental Protection for regulated activities in tidal marshes. It resisted one waiver of hearing, forcing hearing, and presented testimony which resulted in denial of application. Its testimony at another hearing brought a modified permit. Commission representatives attended meetings of other Town boards when items on their agendas concerned activities that affected the environment and made recommendations. It provided oral or written recommendations to state legislators and federal agencies regarding proposed state legislation and the Coastal Area Management act. A number of questions and complaints presented by local citizens were examined and pursued. As its annual public information activity, the Commission organized and presented a public meeting on soil and water resources, when officers and staff of the Middlesex County Soil and Conservation District addressed the audience and answered questions.

Commission members are:

Richard D. Tietjen, Chairman

Frank P. D'Esopo, Vice-chairman

Theresa Dannaher, Secretary

Marge Whipple, Treasurer

Mary S. Brodinsky

Milton A. Gardner

Kathryn Pampel

# REPORT OF THE DOG WARDEN



**Dog Warden Liz Catalano and first visitors to the Old Saybrook Animal Shelter.**

During this fiscal year, the Town, without its own animal shelter, was fortunate enough to rent space from Riverview Kennels. The kennel housed and cared for a total of 138 impounded dogs.

Below is a figurative account of the fate of these canines. These figures can not indicate the human interest stories that accompany each entry. That would take a novel. These figures also do not include cat calls, squirrel calls, Canadian geese calls, snake calls or bat calls.

Dog calls investigated .....	560
Dogs impounded .....	138
Redeemed by owners .....	96
Placed or sold .....	15
Euthanasia .....	21
Dogs licensed .....	1,098
Summonses issued .....	16

The new Animal Shelter at the Town Garage will allow us to house eight animals at a time, and provide us with more time to place unclaimed animals in new homes.

My office is now at the Animal Shelter. All calls will continue to be received by the dispatcher on the desk at the Department of Police Services and relayed to the Dog Warden by radio or phone.

Respectfully submitted

ELIZABETH CATALANO,  
Canine Control Officer



Two members of the Highway Department checking a vehicle at Old Saybrook's new Town Garage. Garage and Animal Shelter opened in September, 1978.



## **REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

The Commission is responsible for promoting and helping to achieve the orderly economic growth of Old Saybrook and in such a manner as to maintain a fiscally sound, healthy and diversified tax base.

To help accomplish these objectives through the solicitation of suitable new businesses and encouragement for the healthy operation of our existing industry, a diverse and selective direct mail program has been established.

Continuing, cooperative efforts are directed to commercial/industrial property owners and/or their real estate brokerage representatives so that current records of available properties can be provided to prospective buyers and/or leasees.

Liaison is maintained with cognizant representatives of State, County and Area agencies whose interests and activities may relate to or affect Old Saybrook. Close operating relationships are also maintained with such other Commissions and/or Departments as Planning, Zoning, Tax Assessor and Inland Wetlands, with overall coordination and special projects implemented in cooperation with the Selectmen's Office.

This past year, direct and participating Commission action has resulted in new business locating in Old Saybrook that should add approximately \$250,000 to the Grand List and some \$300,000 annually in new job payrolls.

Other direct contributions or projects have included:

1. Endorsement and assistance to establish additional east-west access road(s).
2. Analysis of the economic impact of a quality condominium project.
3. Economic comparison of Investment and Operating Costs between Old Saybrook and a similar out-of-state location.

The public is cordially invited to the Commission's meetings that are held in the Town Hall on the second Monday of each month.

Members: Peter J. Knox, Chairman; Edward H. Colton, Vice Chairman; Robert A. Frech, Secretary-Treasurer; John Baldoni, Thomas Kiernan, Jesse Lawrence, Kathryn Marchant, John Oberhill and Robert Sadler. Executive Secretary: Edward L. Wilcox.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER J. KNOX,  
Chairman

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

(In compliance with Section 10-224 Connecticut Statutes)

	<i>Term Expires</i>	<i>Served Since</i>
Mrs. Catherine A. Thomas, <i>Chairperson</i> (R)	1979	August 6, 1968
Donald R. Chapman, <i>Vice-Chairperson</i> (D)	1981	November 11, 1975
Lowell A. Klappholz, <i>Secretary</i> (D) . . . . .	1981	November 3, 1971
James Cahill (R) . . . . .	1981	November 11, 1975
Patrick J. Crowley (R) . . . . .	1981	November 11, 1975
Robert K. Hallisey (R) . . . . .	1979	May 9, 1978
Edward C. Knapp (R) . . . . .	1979	November 15, 1978
Philip R. Rosenthal (D) . . . . .	1979	April 4, 1972
Mrs. Shirley G. Von Dassel (R) . . . . .	1981	November 15, 1978

Due to unexpected increases in insurance premiums and special education costs, the Board of Education experienced some uncomfortable moments during the 1977-1978 school year. In December a purchasing "freeze" was instituted because it was obvious that sufficient revenue would not be available to cover the normal operating costs of the school district. As a result, many planned purchases were eliminated and others postponed.

At a Special Town Meeting in May an additional appropriation of \$18,091.00 was voted and as a result the Board was able to finish the fiscal year with a balanced budget.

A new contract with the custodial staff was negotiated and as this report is being written it appears that a settlement has been reached on a new three year contract.

Much emphasis was placed on the inservice training of the teaching staff during the past year. It is the Board's view that it is necessary to assist the staff in maintaining quality teaching through experiences that expose them to contemporary teaching methods. This emphasis on "retooling" the staff will continue during the next school year.

The Board was greatly disappointed at the failure of the town to support the high school addition. Much energy and time was expended in the hope that an improved educational program would be available to Old Saybrook's high school population. Apparently the community was not convinced of the need and elected to defeat the Board's proposal. The Board will continue to study alternatives, however, in the hope that another solution can be found.

Due to the resignation of Brian McCartney, Senior High School principal, the Board conducted an extensive search for a replacement. Arthur S. Myjak, who has had previous experience as a high school principal, was elected to the position and assumed his new duties on July 1.

New faces were added to the Board during the past year. Donald Johnson, who had served since 1965, and James Reardon who served for over four years, did not seek reelection. Robert Fish resigned his position after four years of service. The Board and the community are indebted to these people for the long hours they have contributed to public service. Replacing them are Shirley Von Dassel, Edward Knapp and Robert Hallisey.

As the effective management of public schools becomes more challenging, it is essential that the Board of Education and school administration spend many hours in the decision making that ultimately has an influence on the lives of the children and youth of the community. We accept that challenge and only ask that the citizens of the community become familiar with the Board's activities. To this end, we encourage public attendance at Board of Education meetings so that parents and other citizens of the community can help to create a "partnership" with the Board that will assist in achieving the goal desired by all—Better Schools.

WILLIAM J. MARTIN,  
*Superintendent of Schools*

CATHERINE A. THOMAS,  
*Chairperson  
Old Saybrook Board of Education*

**OLD SAYBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE**  
**50 Sheffield Street**  
**Old Saybrook, Connecticut 06475**

	<i>Number of Years Employed in Old Saybrook</i>
William J. Martin, Superintendent of Schools	6 years
Mrs. Leila B. Smith, Superintendent's Secretary	20 years
Mrs. Olga M. Kelly, Secretary/Receptionist	2 years
Mrs. Nancy D. Loneragan, Secretary (½ time)	3 years
Mr. Richard S. Austin, Business Manager	1 year
Mrs. Gail R. Reed, Accounts Payable Bookkeeper	3 years
Miss Debra Pitts, Payroll Bookkeeper	1 year
Mr. David C. Bristol, Curriculum Coordinator	1 year
Mrs. Patricia L. Vernon, School Psychologist	4 years
Mrs. Judith S. Gallicchio, School Psychologist	2 years
Position to be filled, School Psychologist (½ time)	New



**KATHLEEN E. GOODWIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**80 Old Boston Post Road**  
**Old Saybrook, Connecticut 06475**

**1978-1979 FACULTY**

	<i>Number of Years Employed in Old Saybrook</i>
Joseph P. DeGange, Principal	25 years
Mrs. Evaughn L. Fontes, Goodwin School Secretary	19 years
Mrs. Johanna H. Endrich.....Kindergarten .....	22 years
Mrs. Carmel H. Lavery.....Kindergarten .....	18 years
Mrs. Joan M. Fitzgerald.....Kindergarten .....	12 years
Mrs. Mary S. Potter .....Grade I .....	19 years
Miss Dorothy A. Tiley .....Grade I .....	14 years
Mrs. Martha P. Griswold ....Grade I .....	10 years
Mrs. Mary H. Clegg .....Grade I .....	8 years
Mrs. Elaine P. Alfano .....Grade I .....	5 years
Mrs. Marcia S. Krause .....Grade II .....	19 years
Mrs. Maureen L. Breton ....Grade II .....	13 years
Mrs. Judith W. Lubbers ....Grade II .....	5 years
Mrs. Audrey H. Goodhue ....Grade II .....	9 years
Mrs. Sayre S. Pinn .....Grade II .....	5 years
Miss Roberta A. Whittaker ..Grade II .....	7 years
Mrs. Clara P. Costa .....Grade III .....	25 years
Mrs. Ann E. McKenna .....Grade III .....	19 years
Mrs. Ruby P. Schrimmer ....Grade III .....	10 years
Mrs. Judith W. Robertson ...Grade III .....	9 years
Mrs. Michaelina L. Judge ...Grade III .....	9 years
Mrs. Mary M. Decker .....Grade III .....	5 years
Mrs. Barbara B. Resino .....Reading .....	10 years
Mrs. Joan B. Kratzert .....Music .....	6 years
Miss Marvin G. Anderson ....Art.....	9 years
Mrs. Karen B. Rogers .....Physical Education and Health	6 years
Mrs. Carol L. Garman .....Learning Disabilities .....	2 years
Mrs. Alma S. Reveley .....Educable Mentally Retarded	17 years
Mrs. Katharine K. David.....Preschool Handicapped (50%)	New
Miss Pamela J. Patterson ....Speech Therapist (Grades K-12)	New
Mrs. Suzanne T. Joyce .....Social Worker (Grades K-12)	3 years
Mrs. Alice W. Gerber .....Gifted and Talented (Grades K-5)	3 years

MAIN STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
308 Main Street  
Old Saybrook, Connecticut 06475

1978-1979 FACULTY

	<i>Number of Years Employed in Old Saybrook</i>
Edward J. Lynch, Principal	10 years
Mrs. Eleanor C. Crowley, Main Street School Secretary	10 years
Mrs. Joan D. Welton ..... Grade IV .....	15 years
Mr. Albert V. Fernandes ..... Grade IV .....	15 years
Mrs. Janine M. Pignatelli ..... Grade IV .....	17 years
Mrs. Ruth M. FitzGerald ..... Grade IV .....	8 years
Mrs. Maureen M. Thornton ..... Grade IV .....	New
Mrs. Judith A. Gardiner ..... Grade IV .....	New
Mrs. Josephine M. Marcolini ..... Grade V .....	30 years
Mr. Richard J. Corcoran ..... Grade V .....	13 years
Mrs. Janet R. Card ..... Grade V .....	12 years
Mrs. Grace M. Roos ..... Grade V .....	9 years
Ms. Kerstin I. Bengtson ..... Grade V .....	6 years
Mrs. Paula J. Gible ..... Grade V .....	4 years
Mr. Roger L. Clarino ..... Grade VI .....	13 years
Mr. Craig M. Cooke ..... Grade VI .....	11 years
Mr. Thomas F. Shea ..... Grade VI .....	9 years
Miss Diane L. Deutsch ..... Grade VI .....	9 years
Mr. Jesse E. G. Johnston ..... Grade VI .....	8 years
Mrs. Kathryn S. VanUtt ..... Grade VI .....	6 years
Mrs. Deborah T. Sharples ..... Grade VI .....	New
Miss Dorothy C. Washburn Elementary Language Program	29 years
Mr. Richard W. Nelson ..... Reading .....	4 years
Mr. John R. Resino ..... Learning Disabilities .....	10 years
Mr. Henry F. Margenau ..... Learning Disabled .....	New
Ms. Cynthia A. Partridge ..... Music .....	5 years
Mrs. Kay H. Tolles ..... Music .....	1 year
Mrs. Barbara H. Hample ..... Art .....	16 years
Mrs. Donna W. Byrne ..... Physical Education and Health	4 years

**OLD SAYBROOK JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**  
 60 Sheffield Street  
 Old Saybrook, Connecticut 06475

**1978-1979 FACULTY**

	<i>Number of Years Employed in Old Saybrook</i>
James F. Crowley, Principal	15 years
Mrs. Carolyn T. Fackler, Junior High School Secretary	2 years
Richard W. Champlain, Guidance Counselor	10 years
Mrs. Marilyn M. Wilkins .... Grade 7 Science.....	19 years
Mr. Paul H. W. Bunnell .... Grade 7 Mathematics .....	8 years
Mrs. Marion L. Haynes .... Grade 7 English .....	24 years
Mrs. Ruth V. Liebegott .... Grade 7 Science and Mathematics	11 years
Mr. Laurence F. Reney .... Grades 7/8 Social Studies ...	21 years
Mrs. Jeanette B. Robinson.... Grades 7/8 Social Studies ...	10 years
Miss Paula M. Fitzgerald .... Grades 7/8 General Science ..	New
Mr. Timothy H. Russell .... Grades 7/8 Mathematics ....	14 years
Mr. Thomas R. Lane ..... Grade 7 English/Grade 8 Social Studies .....	3 years
Mr. Erwin W. Parmelee .... Grades 7/8 English.....	10 years
Mr. Michael M. Crowley .... Grade 8 Social Studies .....	15 years
Mr. Kenneth F. Johnson .... Grade 8 Mathematics .....	22 years
Mr. Michael A. Marino .... Grade 8 English .....	9 years
Mr. Randy B. Smith ..... Grade 8 General Science and Earth Science .....	6 years
Mrs. Ruth M. Nuhn ..... Reading .....	9 years
Mrs. Joan S. Harper ..... Home Economics .....	10 years
Mr. John P. W. Blinn ..... French .....	19 years
Mrs. Claire J. Fredette .... French and Spanish (Grades 6-8)	2 years
Mr. Salomon G. Gomez ..... Spanish .....	5 years
Mr. Leonard J. Mierzejewski .. Industrial Arts .....	9 years
Mr. Anthony W. Scinto .... Music .....	3 years
Mrs. Mildred D. Cook ..... Librarian .....	10 years
Mr. Robert L. Dione ..... Art.....	12 years
Mr. Walter W. Dean, Jr. .... Physical Education and Health (Grades 6-8).....	18 years
Miss Louise A. Laine..... Physical Education and Health (Grades 6-8).....	7 years
Mrs. Christine P. Ryder .... Learning Disabilities .....	2 years
Mr. Richard P. Stenta ..... Career Orientation (Grades 1-12)	5 years
Miss Martha A. Hunyadi .... Teacher of the Deaf .....	1 year
Miss Linda D. Jackson ..... Piagetian Alternative Program, Title IV C .....	1 year



OLD SAYBROOK SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL  
1111 Boston Post Road  
Old Saybrook, Connecticut 06475

1978-1979 FACULTY

	<i>Number of Years Employed in Old Saybrook</i>
Arthur S. Myjak, Principal	New
William J. Dineen, Jr., Assistant Principal	7 years
Mrs. Ann B. Gelpke, Senior High School Secretary	21 years
Mrs. Dorothy B. Rochette, Secretary	1 year
Mr. John M. Alberini, Guidance Director	8 years
Mrs. Marilyn T. Sullivan, Guidance Counselor	5 years
Mr. Donald L. Sparaco, Guidance Counselor	7 years
Mrs. Nancy C. Brooksbank, Guidance Secretary	17 years
Mrs. Katherine T. Estes ..... English .....	11 years
Mr. Albert W. Wilson, Jr. .... English .....	8 years
Ms. Donna A. Mattei ..... English .....	5 years
Dr. Charles T. Bunting..... English .....	4 years
Dr. Donald L. Kerr ..... English .....	3 years
Mrs. Donna W. D'Amico .... English .....	New
Mr. Truman P. Mohn ..... English, Latin .....	New
Mr. Peter S. Lutz ..... Reading .....	5 years
Mrs. Harriet R. Strain ..... Social Studies .....	25 years
Miss Margaret E. Radcliffe .. Social Studies .....	15 years
Mr. Brian M. O'Connor .... Social Studies .....	10 years
Mr. Leo W. Estes ..... Social Studies .....	10 years
Mrs. Lucy Anne T. Peterson .. Social Studies .....	13 years
Mr. Paul B. Smith ..... Social Studies .....	7 years
Mr. Arthur A. Krause ..... Science .....	19 years
Mr. Roland E. Lessard ..... Science .....	14 years
Mr. Paul L. Bobinski ..... Science .....	19 years
Mr. James N. Barnes ..... Science .....	5 years
Mr. Charles H. Renshaw .... Science .....	8 years
Mrs. Marie C. Hobbes ..... Science .....	4 years
Mrs. Bobbie Lee T. Greenough.. Mathematics .....	18 years
Mr. Joseph Z. Huchla ..... Mathematics .....	5 years
Mr. Peter D. Degree ..... Mathematics .....	6 years
Mrs. Shirley G. Brockway .... Mathematics .....	4 years
Mr. Emile A. Caouette ..... Mathematics .....	1 year
Mrs. Jeannine R. Martino .... Mathematics .....	1 year
Mr. John F. FitzGerald, III... French .....	9 years
Mr. Robert P. Packard ..... Spanish (60%).....	9 years
Mrs. Mary Jane G. Butler .... Spanish .....	6 years
Mrs. Ingeborg U. Angiletta .. German.....	5 years
Miss Linda A. Demikat ..... French, Latin .....	New
Mrs. Vera R. Osborne ..... Commercial .....	25 years
Mrs. Florence L. Watts ..... Commercial .....	10 years
Mrs. Lynn M. Kentoffio ..... Commercial .....	New
Mrs. Karen H. Bergeron ..... Home Economics .....	5 years
Mrs. Bonnita J. Richmond.... Home Economics .....	New

	<i>Number of Years Employed in Old Saybrook</i>
Mr. Ralph K. Colangelo ..... Learning Disabilities .....	5 years
Mr. Edward J. Winarski ..... Educable Mentally Retarded .....	1 year
Mr. Robert G. Vile ..... Industrial Arts .....	28 years
Mr. Herbert E. Coates ..... Industrial Arts .....	28 years
Mr. Philip J. Bassett ..... Industrial Arts .....	11 years
Mr. Albert J. Feehan ..... Occupational Coordinator ....	1 year
Mrs. Irene M. O'Day ..... Nurses' Aide Training Program (50%) .....	5 years
Mr. Robert F. Byrnie ..... Art.....	8 years
Mrs. Mary P. Miles..... Art.....	8 years
Mr. John J. Torrenti, Jr. .... Music .....	21 years
Mr. John T. LaDone ..... Music (Grades 7-12).....	6 years
Mrs. Barbara M. Spehar .... Librarian .....	8 years
Mr. Ernest G. Lindner ..... Physical Education and Health .....	28 years
Mrs. Lorraine S. Splain..... Physical Education and Health .....	16 years
Mr. Patrick E. Burke ..... Physical Education and Health .....	5 years
Mr. Jon G. Wilska ..... Health (Grades K-12) .....	7 years

#### OLD SAYBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Mrs. Barbara Hill, R.N., Nursing Supervisor .....	4 years
Miss Valerie Milardo, R.N., School Nurse .....	20 years
Mrs. Catherine Custer, R.N., School Nurse .....	10 years
Mrs. JoAnne R. Kelly, R.N., School Nurse .....	4 years
Mrs. Nancy P. Kenefick, R.N., School Nurse .....	5 years
Dr. Donald E. Cook, School Physician	
Dr. Andrew R. Mortali, School Dental Advisor	
Dr. Peter Demas, School Dental Consultant	
Mr. Elliot F. Sparaco, Maintenance Supervisor .....	25 years
Mr. Stephen W. Bastura, Assistant to Maintenance Supervisor	6 years

#### CUSTODIAL STAFF

##### Kathleen E. Goodwin School

Mr. Edward Turk, Senior Custodian .....	12 years
Mr. Anthony F. Gorski.....	13 years
Mr. Eugene J. Nally .....	5 years

##### Main Street School

Mr. Raymond L. Ames, Senior Custodian .....	19 years
Mr. Marshall Davis .....	9 years
Mr. Richard A. Peterson .....	New

##### Junior High School

Mr. Silvio Lucarelli, Senior Custodian .....	17 years
Mr. Louroy B. Manning .....	8 years
Mr. Thomas S. Mitchell .....	1 year

##### Senior High School

Mr. Richard W. Foss, Jr., Senior Custodian .....	2 years
Mr. Earl H. Bruenn .....	11 years
Mr. Joli Bellussi .....	12 years
Mr. Julius A. Adams .....	4 years
Mr. Dan A. Bolden .....	4 years

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Mrs. Phyllis C. Paine, Cafeteria Director .....	2 years
Miss Debra Laughlin, Cafeteria Bookkeeper .....	New

**CAFETERIA STAFF**

**Kathleen E. Goodwin School**

Mrs. Evelyn F. Grimm, Cook .....	11 years
Mrs. Frances R. Santo, Assistant Cook .....	4 years
Mrs. Ann R. Welsch .....	15 years
Mrs. Vera K. Kingsbury .....	5 years

**Main Street School**

Mrs. Marian S. Adelman, Cook .....	18 years
Mrs. Santine B. Arrants, Assistant Cook .....	12 years
Mrs. Wilhelmina P. Sieffert .....	2 years
Mrs. Iris P. Wilson .....	11 years

**Junior High School**

Mrs. Olive D. Pedinelli, Cook .....	13 years
Mrs. Elida W. Phillips, Assistant Cook .....	9 years
Mrs. Rhoda D. Malley .....	5 years
Mrs. Antonia M. Massini .....	11 years

**Senior High School**

Mrs. Gladys C. Gaynor, Cook .....	18 years
Mrs. Frances S. Giugno, Assistant Cook .....	9 years
Mrs. Faith D. Mosher .....	6 years
Mrs. Jane H. Purcell .....	4 years
Mrs. Lydia T. Offredi .....	4 years
Mrs. Gemma Proteau .....	New



**OLD SAYBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Old Saybrook, Connecticut**

**1978-1979 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

<i>Month</i>	<i>Number of School Days</i>	<i>Days When School Is Not In Session</i>
September	18	
October	20	Columbus Day—Monday, October 9, 1978 Teachers' Convention/Inservice Workshop— October 27, 1978
November	20	THANKSGIVING VACATION— November 23-26, 1978
December	16	
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	74	

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CHRISTMAS VACATION: Close Schools Friday, December 22, 1978  
 Schools Reopen: Tuesday, January 2, 1979

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January	21	Martin Luther King Day—January 15, 1979
February	18	Lincoln's Birthday—February 12, 1979 Washington's Birthday—February 19, 1979
March	12	
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SPRING RECESS: Close Schools Friday, March 16, 1979  
 Schools Reopen: Monday, March 26, 1979

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March	5	
April	20	Good Friday, April 13, 1979
May	22	Memorial Day—Monday, May 28, 1979
June	8	
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	55	

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SCHOOLS START: Wednesday, September 6, 1978

SCHOOLS CLOSE: Tuesday, June 12, 1979

TOTAL SCHOOL DAYS: 180

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Half session-days: Before Thanksgiving Vacation—November 22, 1978  
 Before Christmas Vacation—December 22, 1978  
 Inservice Workshop—April 18, 1979  
 Last day of school.

Make-up days will be added to calendar starting with June 13th.

ENROLLMENT FIGURES AND CHANGE

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Registration October 1, 1975</i>	<i>Registration October 1, 1976</i>	<i>Change</i>	<i>Registration October 1, 1977</i>	<i>Change</i>
Kindergarten.....	132	120	—12	103	—17
Grade 1 .....	137	140	+ 3	133	— 7
Grade 2 .....	126	135	+ 9	145	+10
Grade 3 .....	141	125	—16	145	+20
Grade 4 .....	157	142	—15	124	—18
Grade 5 .....	167	163	— 4	143	—20
Grade 6 .....	187	157	—30	163	+ 6
Homebound and Special Instruction ...	10	5	— 5	5	—
<b>Total Elementary</b> ....	1,057	987	—70	961	—26
Grade 7 .....	187	187	—	154	—33
Grade 8 .....	214	182	—32	184	+ 2
Ungraded Elementary ..	—	—	—	18	+18
Grade 9 .....	167	188	+21	160	—28
Grade 10 .....	170	158	—12	198	+40
Grade 11 .....	169	159	—10	161	+ 2
Grade 12 .....	137	146	+ 9	146	—
<b>Total Secondary</b> .....	1,044	1,020	—24	1,021	+ 1
<b>Total Enrollment</b> .....	2,101	2,007	—94	1,982	—25

SALARY SCHEDULE—OFFICE PERSONNEL

Effective: July 1, 1978

<i>Level</i>	<i>Secretary/ Bookkeeper</i>	<i>Executive Secretary to the Superintendent</i>
1	\$ 7,456.25	\$10,601.99
2	7,875.77	10,854.42
3	8,296.48	11,106.85
4	8,690.75	11,359.28
5	8,979.24	11,611.71
6	9,267.73	11,864.13
7	9,557.42	12,116.56
8	9,743.73	12,368.99
9	9,931.26	12,621.42
10	10,119.98	12,873.85

Work Week: Forty (40) hours. All positions are on a twelve month basis.

Sick Leave: Fifteen (15) days per year to a maximum accumulation of ninety-five (95) days.

Blue Cross Semi-Private Plan with prescription drug rider—Full individual and full family coverage cost by Board of Education.

C.M.S. Century 94 Plan (home and office rider)—Full individual and full family coverage cost by Board of Education.

Major Medical: Full individual and full family coverage cost by Board of Education.

**SALARY SCHEDULE—CUSTODIAL STAFF**

Effective: July 1, 1978

First Year .....	\$8,548.80
Second Year .....	9,193.60
Third Year .....	9,547.20
Fourth Year .....	9,900.80

Work Week: Forty (40) hours

Night Differential: Twenty-five cents (25¢) per hour.

Sick Leave: Fifteen (15) days per year to a maximum accumulation of ninety-five (95) days.

Blue Cross Semi-Private Plan with maternity and full coverage prescription drug rider—Full individual and full family coverage cost by Board of Education.

C.M.S. Century 94 Plan (home and office rider)—Full individual and full family coverage cost by Board of Education.

Major Medical: Full individual and full family coverage cost by Board of Education.

Senior Custodian: Additional two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per year.

When school facilities are used for special activities, custodians brought in for this duty shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the employee's regular rate of pay. Said employees will be guaranteed a two-hour minimum for such duty.

**SALARY SCHEDULE—MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR AND ASSISTANT**

Effective: July 1, 1978

<i>Step</i>	<i>Maintenance Supervisor</i>	<i>Assistant Maintenance Supervisor</i>
1	\$11,989.75	\$10,036.61
2	12,631.54	10,538.44
3	13,259.96	11,118.21
4	13,926.06	11,729.84
5	14,618.90	12,374.54
6	15,349.41	13,054.68
7	16,117.62	—

**SALARY SCHEDULE—CAFETERIA STAFF**

<i>Step</i>	<i>Director</i>	<i>Cooks</i>	<i>Assistant Cooks</i>	<i>Workers</i>
1	\$4.27	\$3.14	\$2.87	\$2.66
2	4.38	3.25	2.92	2.71
3	4.49	3.36	3.03	2.76
4	4.60	3.46	3.09	2.82
5	4.71	3.57	3.14	2.87

Effective: January 1, 1978



**SALARY SCHEDULE—AIDES**

<i>Position</i>	<i>Step</i>					
	<i>I</i>	<i>II</i>	<i>III</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>V</i>	<i>VI</i>
Clerical Aide .....	\$3.13	\$3.23	\$3.34	\$3.45	\$3.55	\$3.66
Library Aide .....	3.23	3.34	3.45	3.55	3.66	—
Monitor Aide .....	2.90	3.00	3.10	3.20	3.30	3.40
Instructional Aide .....	2.97	3.07	3.18	3.29	3.39	3.50

Effective: July 1, 1978

**COST PER PUPIL INCLUDING ALL CURRENT EXPENSES AND  
WITHOUT DEDUCTING STATE AID RECEIVED  
(Exclusive of Special Education costs.)**

1977-1978 Cost Per Pupil—Grades K-3 .....	\$1,253.43
1977-1978 Cost Per Pupil—Grades 4-6 .....	1,600.19
1977-1978 Cost Per Pupil—Grades 7-8 .....	1,935.34
1977-1978 Cost Per Pupil—Grades 9-12 .....	2,059.01
1977-1978 Cost Per Pupil—Grades K-12	\$1,894.45

**TRANSPORTATION**

Average Number of Public School Students Transported:	
(Grades K-6) Average Number of Students Transported During 1977-1978.....	918
(Grades 7-12) Average Number of Students Transported During 1977-1978.....	903
Average Number of Students Transported Per Day ....	1,821
Percentage of Public School Students Transported .....	93.62%

**VALUE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY**

VALUE: <sup>1</sup> All Sites and Buildings in Use for Educational Purposes	\$12,831,500.00
Kathleen E. Goodwin School .....	\$2,111,000.00
Main Street School .....	2,861,600.00
Junior High School .....	2,867,000.00
Senior High School .....	4,991,900.00
All Equipment for Educational Purposes ...	\$2,480,000.00
Kathleen E. Goodwin School .....	\$ 425,000.00
Main Street School .....	600,000.00
Junior High School .....	455,000.00
Senior High School .....	1,000,000.00
<b>TOTAL VALUE .....</b>	<b>\$15,311,500.00</b>

<sup>1</sup>Insured Valuation

**SCHOOL RECEIPTS DURING SCHOOL YEAR**  
**July 1, 1977—June 30, 1978**  
**(FOR CURRENT OPERATION)**

	<i>Actual</i> 1977-1978	<i>Estimated</i> 1978-1979
State Aid Per Pupil General Formula .....	\$507,590.00	\$496,375.00
State Aid for Public School Pupil Transportation and Vocational School Transportation .....	40,620.00	39,540.00
Public Act 792—Grant to Municipalities regarding Educational and other Municipal Purposes...	2,700.00	2,700.00
State Aid for Special Education .....	145,648.00	183,000.00
State Aid for Tuition Payments to Vocational— Agricultural School .....	762.50	2,468.00
Board of Education and Services for the Blind ...	200.90	—
Guaranteed Tax Base Grant—Connecticut School Finance Equalization Program .....	1,428.00	—
Federal Land Grant Interest .....	111.44	111.44
Tuition from Individuals and Other School Districts	2,000.00	2,000.00
Miscellaneous Receipts (Rentals, payphones, etc.) .	749.22	500.00
Payments from other school districts for Special Education transportation .....	181.70	—
Vocational Education—Work Study Program ....	321.94	—
	<u>\$702,313.70</u>	<u>\$726,694.44</u>

NOTE: These receipts do not include \$31,793.51 received for state aid payments on school building grants and Senior High School bond interest subsidy.

Sources of other receipts for special programs under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education. These receipts **do not** go to the General Fund but are channeled directly to the project involved. \***Actual expenditures** for the fiscal year.

Title I, P.L. 89-10 Project in Basic Skills and Supportive Services

Grants: Tydings Carry-Over .....	\$ 59.36	
1977 Fiscal Year Funds .....	13,933.00	
1978 Fiscal Year Funds .....	15,436.00	
	<u>\$29,428.36</u>	\$23,427.19*

P.A. 35, State Act for Disadvantaged Children—Grant \$7,981.00 7,981.00\*

ESEA Title IV, Part B, P.L. 93-380, Libraries and Learning

Resources

Grants: 1977 Funds .....	\$ 77.91	
1978 Funds .....	1,433.00	
	<u>\$ 1,510.91</u>	1,510.91*

Title VI, Part B, P.L. 94-142 Education of the

Handicapped Act—Grant \$6,230.00 5,593.85\*

ESEA Title IV, P.L. 93-380 Piagetian Program—Grant \$24,437.00 24,409.11\*

Special Insurance Accounts —Insurance 1 .....	296.88	
Insurance 2 .....	2,641.27	
	<u>\$ 2,938.15</u>	2,936.07*

Adult Education Program —Local Receipts .....	\$ 3,558.50	
State Receipt .....	688.89	
	<u>\$ 4,247.39</u>	\$ 5,002.00*

OLD SAYBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION

1976-1978 CURRENT EXPENSES					
Instruction (1100 Series)					
	Goodwin Grades K-3	Main Street Grades 4-6	Junior High Grades 7-8	Senior High Grades 9-12	Special Education
					Total Grades K-12
1101 Art Instruction .....	\$ 41,908.46	\$ 25,228.64	\$ 19,791.98	\$ 34,049.13	\$ 120,978.21
1102 Business Education .....	—	—	105.20	40,808.54	40,913.74
1103 English Language Arts .....	56,735.16	100,135.12	58,455.69	116,291.31	331,617.28
1104 Health Education .....	7,742.50	2,001.01	2,562.90	4,806.06	17,112.47
1105 Foreign Languages .....	—	20,462.78	42,449.79	78,141.97	141,054.54
1106 Home Economics .....	—	—	18,269.38	23,790.57	42,059.95
1107 Industrial Arts .....	—	—	19,328.34	61,281.13	80,609.47
1108 Mathematics .....	65,013.11	70,259.70	72,304.21	99,478.32	307,055.34
1109 Music .....	35,339.17	27,925.66	23,031.43	33,340.65	119,636.91
1110 Physical Education .....	30,096.49	17,143.84	23,364.15	42,811.94	113,416.42
1111 Reading (Classroom Teachers) ...	128,359.77	87,512.22	—	—	215,871.99
1112 Science .....	17,853.04	43,498.12	58,175.31	111,706.69	231,233.19
1113 Social Studies .....	22,914.56	44,806.91	69,181.00	108,622.05	245,524.52
1114 Work Study/Nurses' Aide .....	—	—	—	27,221.16	27,221.16
1200 Special Education .....	—	—	—	138,155.88	138,155.88
1400 Summer School Program .....	—	—	—	688.67	688.67
<b>Total 1100 Series .....</b>	<b>\$405,962.26</b>	<b>\$438,974.00</b>	<b>\$407,019.38</b>	<b>\$ 783,038.19</b>	<b>\$2,173,149.71</b>



**Pupil Support Services (2100 Series)**

	Goodwin Grades K-3	Main Street Grades 4-6	Junior High Grades 7-8	Senior High Grades 9-12	Special Education	Total Grades K-12
2110 Social Worker .....	\$ 378.59	\$ 1,460.64	\$ 19,148.56	—	\$ 14,958.43	\$ 14,958.43
2120 Guidance Services .....	11,356.88	9,437.82	7,557.07	\$ 64,329.77	—	85,317.56
2130 Health Services .....	—	—	—	14,199.29	—	42,551.06
2140 Psychological Services .....	—	—	—	—	33,328.19	33,328.19
2150 Speech and Hearing Services .....	—	—	—	—	22,686.04	22,686.04
2191 Health .....	4,128.22	3,664.68	2,993.20	5,870.64	—	16,656.74
2192 Special Reading .....	15,007.65	18,789.76	19,906.32	20,763.85	—	74,467.58
2193 Career Orientation .....	4,908.90	4,173.83	3,894.77	6,551.52	—	19,529.02
<b>Total 2100 Series .....</b>	<b>\$ 35,780.24</b>	<b>\$ 37,526.73</b>	<b>\$ 53,499.92</b>	<b>\$ 111,715.07</b>	<b>\$ 70,972.66</b>	<b>\$ 309,494.62</b>

**Instructional Staff Support Services  
(2200 Series)**

2210 Improvement of Instruction .....	\$ 1,389.05	\$ 1,912.29	\$ 1,567.60	\$ 1,340.48	—	\$ 6,209.42
2211 Curriculum Development .....	3,644.48	3,028.63	2,425.17	4,556.64	—	13,654.92
2220 Library and Audio-Visual .....	8,130.51	7,098.65	32,337.78	38,315.15	—	85,882.09
<b>Total 2200 Series .....</b>	<b>\$ 13,164.04</b>	<b>\$ 12,039.57</b>	<b>\$ 36,330.55</b>	<b>\$ 44,212.27</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$ 105,746.43</b>

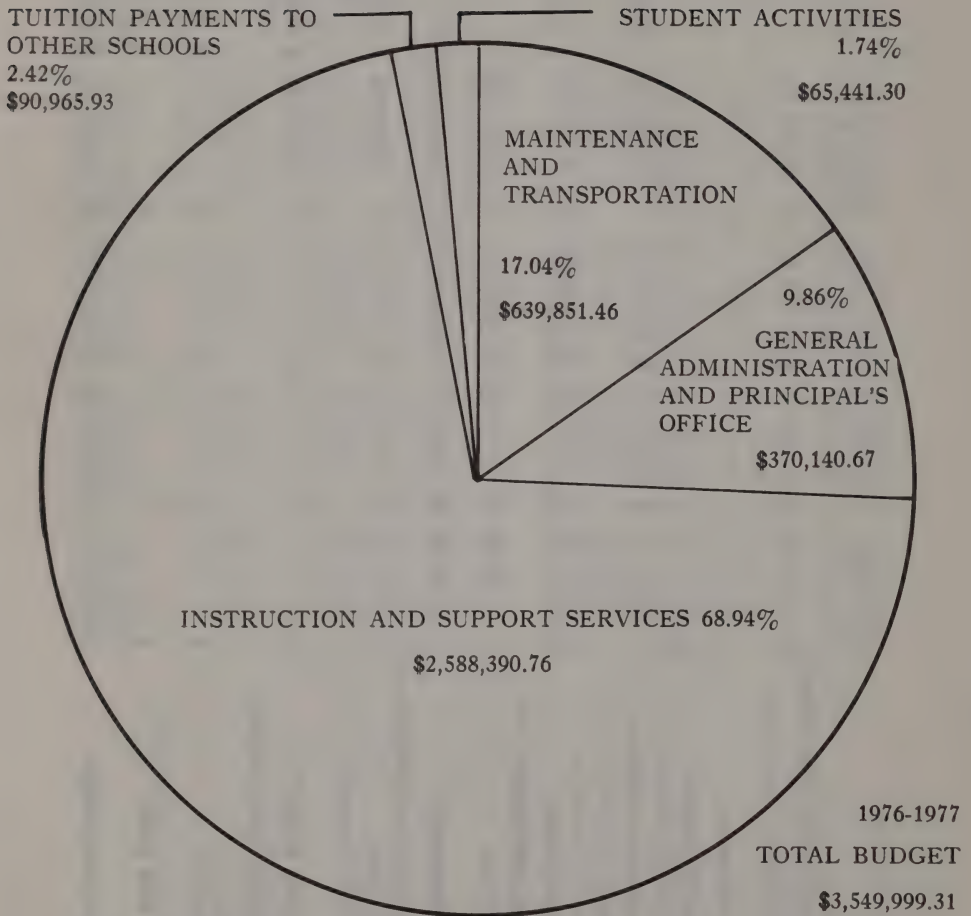
**General Administration (2300 Series)**

2310 Board of Education Services .....	\$ 470.09	\$ 391.09	\$ 313.61	\$ 601.86	—	\$ 1,776.65
2320 Superintendent's Office .....	36,277.78	30,094.21	24,247.19	45,420.45	—	136,039.63
<b>Total 2300 Series .....</b>	<b>\$ 36,747.87</b>	<b>\$ 30,485.30</b>	<b>\$ 24,560.80</b>	<b>\$ 46,022.31</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$ 137,816.28</b>

	Goodwin Grades K-3	Main Street Grades 4-6	Junior High Grades 7-8	Senior High Grades 9-12	Special Education	Total Grades K-12
<b>Principal's Office Services (2400 Series)</b>						
2400 Principal's Office .....	\$ 48,318.93	\$ 51,096.48	\$ 43,780.79	\$ 89,128.19	—	\$ 232,324.39
<b>Total 2400 Series .....</b>	<b>\$ 48,318.93</b>	<b>\$ 51,096.48</b>	<b>\$ 43,780.79</b>	<b>\$ 89,128.19</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$ 232,324.39</b>
<b>Business Services (2500 Series)</b>						
2540 Plant/Maintenance Services .....	\$ 85,519.23	\$ 86,105.54	\$ 86,268.78	\$ 167,242.31		\$ 425,135.86
2550 Pupil Transportation Services .....	39,094.55	\$ 30,631.82	\$ 24,566.53	72,550.17	47,872.53	214,715.60
2560 Food Services .....	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total 2500 Series .....</b>	<b>\$124,613.78</b>	<b>\$116,737.36</b>	<b>\$110,835.31</b>	<b>\$ 239,792.48</b>	<b>\$ 47,872.53</b>	<b>\$ 639,851.46</b>
<b>Student Activities (2900 Series)</b>						
2900 Student Activities .....	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,316.82	\$ 12,953.20	\$ 51,071.28	—	\$ 65,441.30
<b>Total 2900 Series .....</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,316.82</b>	<b>\$ 12,953.20</b>	<b>\$ 51,071.28</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$ 65,441.30</b>
<b>Nonprogrammed Charges (4100 Series)</b>						
4110 Tuition Payments .....	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 4,935.00	\$ 78,846.13	\$ 83,781.13
4120 Transportation Payments .....	—	—	—	—	480.00	480.00
<b>Total 4100 Series .....</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 4,935.00</b>	<b>\$ 79,326.13</b>	<b>\$ 84,261.13</b>
<b>Payments to Out-of-State Districts (4200 Series)</b>						
4200 Tuition Payments .....	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 6,704.80	\$ 6,704.80
<b>Total 4200 Series .....</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 6,704.80</b>	<b>\$ 6,704.80</b>
<b>Total 1977-1978 School Budget .....</b>	<b>\$664,687.12</b>	<b>\$688,176.26</b>	<b>\$688,979.95</b>	<b>\$1,369,914.79</b>	<b>\$343,032.00</b>	<b>\$3,754,790.12</b>

## OLD SAYBROOK TOWN REPORT

PERCENTAGE ALLOCATION  
OF  
1977-1978 EXPENDITURES



**1977-1978 TOTAL BUDGET: \$3,754,790.12**

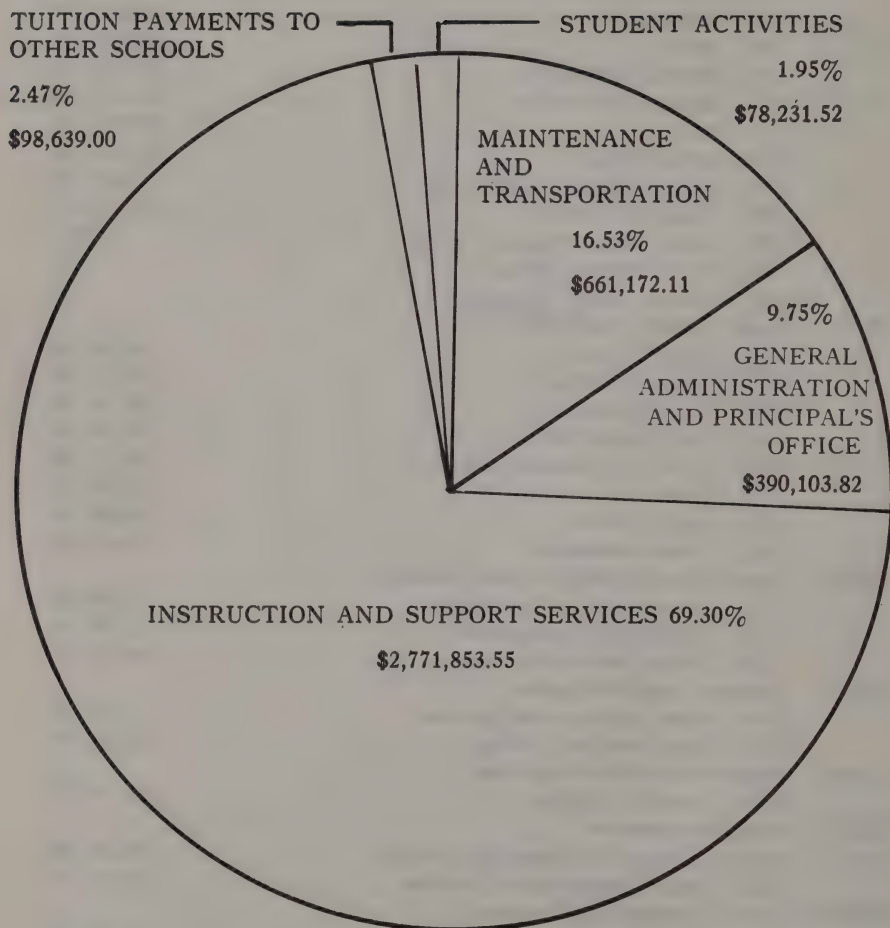


OLD SAYBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 1978-1979

<b>1100</b>	<b>Instruction</b>	
1101	Art .....	\$ 135,263.79
1102	Business Education .....	43,037.33
1103	English Language Arts .....	341,623.87
1104	Health Instruction .....	18,373.93
1105	Foreign Languages .....	150,819.30
1106	Home Economics .....	46,477.88
1107	Industrial Arts .....	86,738.91
1108	Mathematics .....	320,613.10
1109	Music .....	130,603.10
1110	Physical Education .....	122,922.55
1111	Reading (Classroom) .....	227,697.90
1112	Science .....	239,914.17
1113	Social Studies .....	255,580.92
1114	Work Study and Nurses Aide .....	31,476.08
1200	Special Education .....	155,486.53
1290	Other Special Programs (Piaget) .....	6,200.
1300	Adult Education .....	—
1400	Summer School Program .....	—
<b>2100</b>	<b>Pupil Support Services</b>	
2110	Social Worker .....	16,181.04
2120	Guidance Services .....	94,072.22
2130	Health Services .....	48,374.60
2140	Psychological Services .....	39,660.38
2150	Speech and Hearing Services .....	28,127.96
2191	Health .....	19,209.59
2192	Special Reading .....	78,622.54
2193	Career Orientation .....	21,097.69
<b>2200</b>	<b>Instructional Staff Support Services</b>	
2210	Improvement of Instruction .....	5,600.00
2211	Curriculum Development .....	17,705.16
2220	Library and Audio-Visual .....	90,373.01
<b>2300</b>	<b>General Administration</b>	
2310	Board of Education Services .....	1,750.00
2320	Superintendent's Office .....	143,275.64
<b>2400</b>	<b>Principal's Office Supplies</b>	
2400	Principal's Office .....	245,078.18
<b>2500</b>	<b>Business Services</b>	
2540	Plant and Maintenance Services .....	463,467.66
2550	Pupil Transportation Services .....	197,704.45
<b>2900</b>	<b>Other Supporting Services</b>	
2900	Student Activities .....	78,231.52
<b>4100</b>	<b>Non-Programmed Charges</b>	
4110	Tuition Payments .....	91,039.00
4130	Other Payments .....	200.00
<b>4200</b>	<b>Payments to Out-Of-State Districts</b>	
4200	Payments to Out-Of-State Districts .....	7,400.00
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		<b>\$4,000,000.00</b>

## OLD SAYBROOK TOWN REPORT

PERCENTAGE ALLOCATION  
OF  
1978-1979 EXPENDITURES



1978-1979 TOTAL BUDGET: \$4,000,000.00

# ADMINISTRATOR'S SALARY SCHEDULE

Effective: July 1, 1976

	<i>Ratio</i>
Elementary School Principal .....	1.27—1.32
Junior High School Principal .....	1.32—1.37
Senior High School Assistant Principal .....	1.22—1.27
Senior High School Principal .....	1.37—1.42

All returning Administrative personnel shall progress one ratio step per year to the maximum ratio indicated.

New Administrative personnel shall be placed on the first step of this ratio and progress one step per year to the maximum ratio indicated.

Base salary established for:

1976-1977 .....	Base: \$17,800.00
1977-1978 .....	Base: 18,600.00
1978-1979 .....	Base: 19,400.00

## Awards for Meritorious Service

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, any or all administrators may be awarded a stipend not to exceed \$1,500. for meritorious service, according to the following:

<i>Rating</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Satisfactory .....	-0-
Highly Satisfactory .....	\$ 700.00
Excellent .....	1,500.00

<i>Evaluation Date</i>	<i>Stipend payable (in lump sum)</i>
May 1 to June 15, 1977	First pay-day in July, 1977
May 1 to June 15, 1978	First pay-day in July, 1978
May 1 to June 15, 1979	First pay-day in July, 1979

## Benefits

Full individual or full family coverage cost—Blue Cross Extended Plan with Semi-Private Room Credit and Out-Patient Rider Benefits.

Full individual or full family coverage cost—Prescription Drug Rider.

Full individual or full family coverage cost—Major Medical.

Full individual cost only—\$50,000.00 Group Life Insurance.

50% payment only—Blue Cross Full Service Dental Program.

Eighteen (18) days of sick leave with full pay. The accumulation of unused sick leave shall not exceed 180 days.

Administrators may be absent without the loss of pay, with approval of the Superintendent, because of, but not limited to, the following reasons;

- death in the family
- attendance at professional meetings
- visitations to other schools
- personal considerations.

## Other Administrative Salaries

Superintendent of Old Saybrook Public Schools—1978-1979—\$33,500.00

Curriculum Coordinator—1978-1979—\$14,800.00

Business Manager—1978-1979—\$14,000.00



**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**1978-1979 SALARY SCHEDULE FOR PROFESSIONAL STAFF**  
**INCLUDING NUMBER OF PROFESSIONAL STAFF ON EACH STEP**

Step	Bachelor's Degree	Master's Degree or 30		Number of Staff Members on Each Step	Sixth Year	Number of Staff Members on Each Step
		Number of Staff Members on Each Step	Semester Hours in Approved Program			
1	\$ 9,378.00	2*	\$10,003.00	1	\$10,628.00	0
2	9,899.00	0	10,524.00	0	11,202.00	0
3	10,420.00	1**	11,097.00	2	11,775.00	0
4	10,915.00	0	11,670.00	2	12,348.00	0
5	11,436.00	3	12,244.00	2	12,921.00	0
6	11,957.00	3***	12,817.00	2	13,494.00	0
7	12,478.00	6	13,390.00	6****	14,067.00	0
8	12,999.00	1	13,963.00	3	14,640.00	1
9	13,520.00	2	14,536.00	0	15,213.00	0
10	14,041.00	2	15,109.00	2	15,786.00	1
11	14,562.00	0	15,682.00	7*****	16,359.00	0
12	15,083.00	1	16,255.00	3	16,933.00	0
13	15,604.00	1	16,828.00	6	17,506.00	1*****
14	16,125.00	1	17,506.00	5	18,209.00	0
15	16,203.00	14	18,183.00	34	18,912.00	2*****
16	—	—	—	—	19,616.00	20*****
		37		75		25 = 137°

**Notes:**

- \* Includes 1 staff member at 50% teaching time.
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- \*\*\*\*\* Includes 1 guidance counselor with a salary differential of \$500.00.
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- \*\*\*\*\* Includes 1 guidance director with a salary differential of \$2,000.00, occupational coordinator with a salary differential of \$1,800.00, 1 guidance counselor with a salary differential of \$500.00, and 2 staff members with a salary differential of \$650.00 for Doctorate Degree.

° Still to be hired—7 staff members.

**Longevity:** Teachers shall receive an annual longevity payment of \$125.00 upon completion of twenty years of teaching, \$200.00 upon completion of twenty-five years of teaching and \$300.00 upon completion of thirty years of teaching, providing, however, that a teacher must have completed fifteen years of service in the Old Saybrook School System to be eligible for longevity payments.

GRADUATING CLASS OF 1978

John Alberini	Ellen Elizabeth Heckler
*Marci Alborghetti	Jeanmarie A. Hennessey
Sharon Ames	Alison Elizabeth Hettich
*Laurie J. Anderson	Benjamin William Hughes, III
Robin Backlund	John P. Kane
Carole Ann Bando	Edward Joseph Kelley, III
Anthony Bargnesi	Ellen Marie Kenefick
Robert G. Bean	Lori Jean Koritkowski
Neil D. Beezer, Jr.	George M. Kovak, Jr.
*Gayle May Birck	*David C. Labaree
Robert Bobarsky	Alan Prescott Ladner
Cynthia Elaine Bolden	Jeanine A. Laissue
Brian Botts	*Anne Marie Landry
Paul Randall Bowker	Michael J. Laraia
Roosevelt Butler	Lisa Ann Learned
Herbert W. Byington, IV	Nancy J. Ledderhose
William R. Cade	Joan Marie Lemieux
Kari Catalano	*Tammy Ann Lonergan
Thomas W. J. Clynes	Kimberly Mann
Arleen T. Coates	*Melody Mae Mann
Donald Cobb	*Deborah E. Mapes
*Laurie Ann Colton	David A. Marinelli
Rachelle S. Comeau	Brian M. Marshall
*Jennifer Baker Cook	Mary Martel
Marion Jones Costen	Jody Lind Matthews
Diana M. Coughlin	Timothy May
Paul B. Curran	*Kerry McLaughlin
*Alison Jean Custer	Linda A. McLaughlin
Robert L. Day, II	Pressly McAuley Millen
*Caroline Marie deMauriac	David C. Monte
Sharon A. Denny	Cynthia L. Moore
Corinne Genevieve Gisele Desilio	Dorothy L. Moran
Peter G. Dohna	Edmund H. Mosca
Debra Ann Dufour	Darryl E. Mosher
Linda Carol Eskildsen	Raymond E. Murphy
Diane Susan Fabretti	Frank P. Newman
Stuart J. Fairbank	William Newsom
Stephanie Fisher	Marian Nielsen
Victoria Griffin Forbes	Jennifer Nutt
*Christopher B. Forrest	Wendy Parson
Joseph H. Forst, II	Mark John Peppas
John Michael Fuller	Jerry Grant Perkins
*Elizabeth A. Gaa	Jeffrey Lennart Pettersson
Kimberley E. Garvey	John William Porter
Doreen Ann Giangrande	Jeffrey Michael Pratt
Jennifer W. Gifford	Cynthia Leigh Prevost
Linda A. Gilbert	Karl E. Raunika
Louis Frank Gmeiner	Barbara Renee Rudolph
Lynn Gregory	Gloria Jean Ruty
Robert Kyle Hallisey, Jr.	Paul Sagristano

Audrey Santo	Velma Thomas
Gregory N. Scott	Rene Anthony Troxler
Margaret Shea	Susan Vaccaro
Robert Andrew Short	Edward E. Vahan
Jennifer Lucinda Skeels	Donna Lynn Vaitaitis
Sharon Marie Snow	Kathleen Mary Valentine
Alanna M. Spada	*Moir Jude Walsh
Robert A. Spencer	Edmund Robert Watson
David D. Spignesi	David Scott Wheeler
Robert K. Stanners	Cisco Lee White
Mark J. Stiber	Lydia Marie Whittlesey
Charles B. Stone, Jr.	Gretchen Anne Wilke
*Brian Peter Stone	Janet Wilson
*Barbara W. Sugland	Jennifer Ann Wollack
Barbara A. Suits	Scott Stephen Wright
*Charles S. Tarrio	Philip Alan Wysocki
Charles A. Termini, Jr.	Laura L. Zimmer

*\*Member, National Honor Society*



Members of the Estuary Council of Senior Clubs, Inc. relaxing with a Bingo game after a hot lunch which is served daily at St. John's in Old Saybrook. Members shown are: Jesse Lawrence, Bill Neer, Ruth Clark, Ann Glynn and Frank Damico.



## **REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

The Old Saybrook Environmental Health Department in its continuing effort to preserve and protect the public health and environmental well being of our community, has performed the following activities during the last fiscal year.

### **FOOD SERVICE:**

The 62 food service establishments, 20 markets, and 7 public and private institutions were inspected as required, a total of 317 times for compliance with public health code regulations. The department noted several significant problems but obtained rapid cooperation and compliance when these conditions were brought to the attention of management. Generally, food service establishments in our town maintain high standards of quality and service and should be commended for their efforts.

### **SEPTIC SYSTEMS:**

We have conducted 97 site investigations to determine the suitability of sites for development, and reviewed our findings with area engineers, contractors, soil scientists, conservationists, inland wetlands, and zoning enforcement officials and property owners so as to determine the best way owners may develop their land.

In addition, the department has conducted 63 percolation tests and reviewed a like number conducted by consultants to determine size and location of septic system installations.

We have issued 156 septic permits and conducted 312 inspections to ensure proper installation of these systems.

The department inspected over 10 public pools and 2 public beaches, a total of 57 times for compliance with State Regulations.

### **WATER:**

21 well sites were reviewed and permits to construct 21 wells were issued. The department sampled 24 wells to determine sources of problems and treated 12 wells to attempt correction of deficiencies.

In a continuing effort to maintain high water quality in bathing areas and in an effort to open shell fish beds, we have dye tested 336 homes adjacent to beaches, marshes, and water courses to locate improperly installed or failed septic systems discharging to water courses.

Our efforts detected minimal failures. Continued public conscience has led to rapid repair of septic system failures and has gone a long way in improving local water quality.



Sanitarian Jack Milkofsky taking water samples

To monitor water quality, and in an attempt to convince the State Public Health Council to re-consider shell fish closure lines, we have taken 204 sea water samples that on an average indicate major improvements in shell fish bed water quality.

One problem that does exist concerns the running of dogs on tidal flats. Animals that relieve themselves on beaches and tidal flats have resulted in significant short term increases in bacteria levels and can cause serious health problems to swimmers.

We urge all dog owners to refrain from walking or running dogs on our beaches.

## COMPLAINTS

The Health Department received and investigated 62 complaints categorized as follows:

Sewage	16	Odor	5
Refuse	11	Rodents	8
Housing	12	Miscellaneous	4
Water	16		

In addition, we responded to three minor oil spills and one fish kill. All complaints that were actionable by this department were satisfactorily resolved.

## WASTE

Continual monitoring of our liquid waste disposal site has led to a smoothly functioning essentially odor free operation that in the last year has allowed us to dispose of 650,000 fallons of sewage sludge.

Regular inspection of our transfer site and surveys conducted has led to the formulation of proposals that will lead to the expansion of the facility to handle peak period loads.

Regular staff meetings are held to discuss problems so that they may be resolved with minimal difficulty. In addition, personnel have undergone continued training and certification in various areas of public health. We have been extremely fortunate in working out an arrangement with North Western Community College to provide us, under a work study program, area individuals well trained in public health as summer help.

These students, working for minimum wage and college credit, have been invaluable in enabling us to intensify inspection programs and extend inspections into areas previously neglected.

In the coming year, we will continue to up-grade existing programs and develop those programs we believe are necessary to insure the continuance of the high standard of public health our community enjoys. Examples of these programs are exemplified by our work with the Zoning Board of Appeals in working out procedures that control granting of variances only to those individuals that are unlikely to create public health problems as a result of additions or conversions of buildings, and in providing assistance in writing a housing code ordinance that will elevate housing conditions in Old Saybrook.

Our Town is healthy. We suffer no epidemics. Our water supplies are secure. Our waste disposal is clean and efficient. Our marshes are protected and our beaches and restaurants are safe.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. COOK, M.D., Director

J. MILKOFISKY, R. S.,  
Town Sanitarian

H. COATES

G. YUKNAT

D. TAYLOR,

Sanitary Inspectors



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE

The Old Saybrook Board of Finance meets once a month from July through January. During the months of February, March, April and May it is often necessary to hold weekly meetings to discuss and approve individual budgets for presentation to the legislative body in May at the annual budget meeting.

It is never an easy job to determine just what amount of funding should be allocated for each general government department and the Board of Education. There are always residents interested in supporting certain budgets depending on their interests. However, it is the responsibility of the Board of Finance to appropriate the available monies to the priority items the town must set.

We strive to fully understand and evaluate each request. We find that every year some budgets are increased due to enactment of State and Federal regulations which must be implemented by the municipality and which require more services and manpower.

Although our budget has increased yearly we have been fortunate in maintaining a low tax mill rate due to the increase of industrial real estate and commercial properties.

The Board must be constantly aware of statutory changes concerning municipal financing. Strict adherence to the audit requirements must be met.

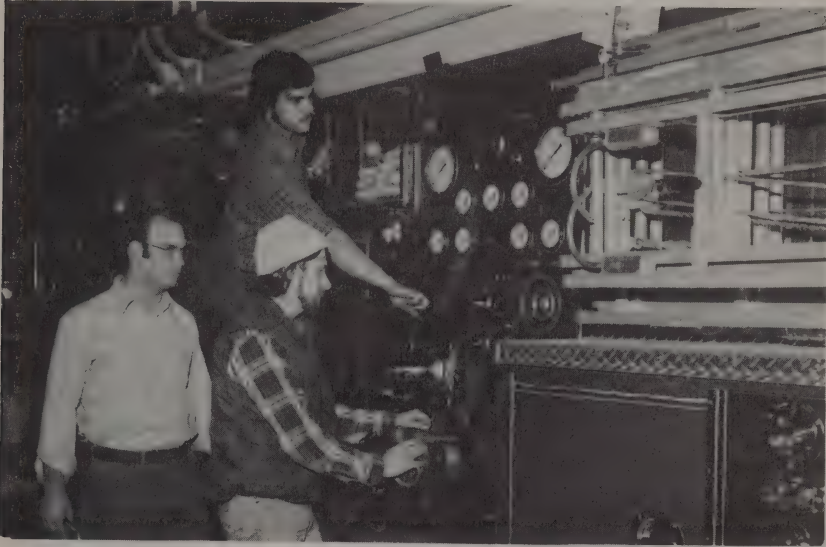
I have had the pleasure of serving as Chairman of the Board of Finance for one and one half years. I can appreciate the time, effort and consideration given unselfishly by the members of this Board.

We also are appreciative of the support of townspeople; our job is made much easier because of their interest and concern in their community.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLO N. VIGGIANO, Chairman  
Board of Finance

# **REPORT OF THE OLD SAYBROOK FIRE CO. NO. 1, INC.**



Three members of Old Saybrook's Volunteer Fire Co. No. 1

The Old Saybrook Fire Company Number 1, Inc. answered a total of 226 calls during this past fiscal year. They are as follows:

TYPE OF FIRES	Number
Structure related	
Building damaged .....	25
Chimney .....	12
Electrical .....	9
Oil burner .....	3
Brush and grass .....	51
Motor vehicle .....	20
Washdown after accidents .....	23
False alarms .....	34
Malicious false alarms .....	10
Mutual aid (Out of town) .....	7
Dumpster .....	9
Miscellaneous .....	23

Old Saybrook Volunteer Firemen expended a total of 2,235 man-hours answering these calls.

The Old Saybrook Fire Company would like to thank the people of Old Saybrook for their cooperation during the past fiscal year.

RONALD BALDI, Chief

## **REPORT OF THE OLD SAYBROOK HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

In January we were all saddened by the death of Rear Admiral Alexander Chapman Husband, retired. Admiral Husband had served three outstanding terms as Society President. It was under his direction that the Society acquired the General William Hart House for its headquarters. He provided vital leadership during our growing period in charting the course and objectives for the society to follow. Admiral Husband, or "Ace" as he was known to his many friends, will be long remembered for his contributions to the Town of Old Saybrook and in particular to our Society.

Restoration of the second floor rooms in the Hart House was completed. Efforts will now be directed to restoring the main floor library and installation of a working kitchen. The Grounds and Garden Committee, Mrs. Arthur Lengel Chairperson, have established a truly fine example of a colonial herb garden. Additional flower, tree and shrub plantings last fall and this spring have created a beautiful and fragrant garden setting for the Hart House visitor.

Programs presented during the year covered topics of colonial architecture, abandoned New England ruins, colonial journalism and spies of the American Revolution. The public is always cordially invited to attend these free programs of historical interest as they are publicized during the fall thru spring months.

The Hart House was open during the summer for special exhibits of antique needlework and early Old Saybrook postcards and memorabilia. A very successful Garden Fair and Herb Luncheon was held in August. Mr. Paul Mangan chaired the Garden/Craft Fair and Mrs. Robert Wendler arranged the Herb Luncheon.

The Hart House gardens are always open to visitors. The Hart House interior is open during published exhibit hours and upon request for group tours and interested individuals.

Our Society now has 427 members and welcomes all residents and friends with an interest in the history of our area to join us in recording, preserving and understanding those fascinating bygone years.

Jr. high school students are invited to join our Junior Historical Society. Mr. Larry Reney is faculty advisor and Mrs. Henry Bakewell, Jr. is senior Society advisor to that group.



# OFFICERS FOR 1978

President	Mr. James B. Platt
1st Vice President	Mrs. Michael Gallicchio
2nd Vice President	Mr. Donald Eldridge
Treasurer	Mr. John McKee to 8-4-78 Mr. David Kneeland from 8-5-78
Assistant Treasurer	Mrs. J. Whittier Anderson
Recording Secretary	Miss Natalie Kuehneman
Corresponding Sect'y.	Mrs. Thomas Breen
Historian	Mrs. Henry Bakewell, Jr.

We thank the residents of Old Saybrook for their support of the Society's activities. One manner of support we appreciate is the donation to the Society of items pertaining to the history of Old Saybrook. Such items, as appropriate, will be preserved for the study and enjoyment of future residents.

Respectfully submitted,  
JAMES B. PLATT

## REPORT OF THE INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

The Inland Wetlands Commission is responsible for implementing, administering and enforcing the Inland Wetlands and Water Courses Regulations of the Town of Old Saybrook. The present members of the Commission are: Frank Mathes, Chairman; George Palmer, Vice Chairman; Betsy Ranelli, Secretary; James Lubs, Kathryn Meyer, Peter Knox and Margie Whipple. Alternate members are: Joseph Montano, Anthony Easton and Ruth Merrill.

Jack Milkofsky is Field Engineer, Attorney Thomas A. Cloutier is the Commission's legal counsel, and Marion Carpenter serves as Clerk.

Meetings are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month and during the 1977-78 fiscal year the Commission met regularly, reviewed applications for and granted two permits, and made several on-site inspections.

The Field Engineer made 148 inspections for compliance with permits, responses to complaints, inquiries into wetlands delineations, and compliance with the two orders to correct violations of the Wetlands Act.

FRANK L. MATHES,  
Chairman

## **REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE**

The Old Saybrook Memorial Day Committee consists of members from two of the Veterans groups in Old Saybrook, the American Legion, Post 113, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 10153.

Memorial Day has always been a traditional day for honoring those who served their country. Our purpose is to have as many local groups as possible participate in a parade, and this year the response was overwhelming.

Cooperation was in abundance in our town and we sincerely thank all the groups who worked so hard to make this day a success.

Our school children are our greatest source of talent; I'm sure we all felt as if we were at Disney Land when we watched our High School Band stepping out to head our parade.

Memorial services were conducted at two sites, first at the water side at 9 a.m., a very solemn service with the laying of the wreath upon the water by the Gold Star mothers Mrs. Maria Kemble and Mrs. Hazel Swain, then at the Memorial Park on Main Street. The guest speaker was Col. Leonard Robinson, U.S. Army (retired), a most knowledgeable man, he honored all who defended their country in times of war.

We, the members of the committee, deem it a privilege and a pleasure to serve the people of Old Saybrook.

Committee members are:

FRANCIS S. COOK,  
American Legion (Chairman)

WINIFRED R. COOK,  
American Legion Auxiliary (Secretary)

ROBERT WEINSCHENK,  
American Legion (Co-Chairman)

CAROL WEINSCHENK,  
American Legion Auxiliary

## REPORT OF THE MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM



Mosquito control crew

The war against ticks began earlier this spring than last year, and more areas were sprayed with diazinon which seems to be very effective. Ticks were more numerous and troublesome than ever, especially in the early months of the season, but fortunately the green head flies were at a minimum this year. The mosquito problem, however, was more severe than it has been in several years.

More ditching was done in some areas. As reported last year, we are losing this battle because it is too big a problem for a few youngsters to make more than a dent in this extensive undertaking. Open ditches are very important, not only for mosquito control, but also for the health of the marshes. Hopefully and eventually, a task force will be assigned to this important project.

We received more calls than ever to which we responded with enthusiasm. At times we were late in serving some of our citizens because of the vast number of requests; in addition, the weather was not our ally. Besides spraying individual homes for parties, picnics and weddings, we concentrated much of our effort in the fresh and salt water areas that are so troublesome, and in many cases inaccessible. We also sprayed on a regular weekly basis, numerous commercial establishments, restaurants, schools and parks. Hand sprayers were used to insure coverage of the most troublesome spots.

At the present time, the Town Garage has been completed and vehicular equipment is being purchased. Until these matters are resolved, it will be financially unwise to invest in elaborate spraying equipment.

Respectfully submitted,  
ROLAND LESSARD



## **REPORT OF THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION**



**Winter Rug Hooking Class**

Regular meetings of the Park and Recreation Commission are held the second Tuesday of every month at 8:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

The Park and Recreation Commission is responsible for developing and maintaining Old Saybrook's Parks, Beaches and Facilities and for providing varied recreational opportunities for the people of the town. In discharging these responsibilities, the members of the Commission spend a minimum of three hours at the monthly meetings. In addition, Commissioners can expect to put in about 30 extra hours during the year for special meetings, facility tours, and special events. Between meetings, the Vice Chairman and the Chairman are more closely in touch with the Department, the Chairman spending 2 to 3 hours a week on Commission matters.

During the past year the Park and Recreation Commission and the Department personnel placed particular emphasis on improving methods of operation both in the area of program organization and delivery and preventive maintenance. In the area of park maintenance concerted efforts were made to strengthen daily maintenance routines while completing short term projects that would enhance the appearance of the recreational facilities.

Our C.E.T.A. employees supervised by Charles Richards, Park Ranger/Maintenance Supervisor, were able to complete major renovations at Town Beach which included reshingling of the bathhouse and pavilion roofs, interior improvements and the construction of the storage addition to the bathhouse. Furthermore, through a special one year C.E.T.A. Community Development Grant, which began August 1, 1977, the materials and personnel to construct an outdoor amphitheatre in Town Park were made possible. Also through this grant further developments were accomplished such as the opening up and marking of traditional nature and hiking trails in Town Park.

It is the intention of the Parks and Recreation Department to schedule the amphitheatre during the summer of 1979 with performing arts programs utilizing both local and area talent. In addition matching funds will be sought from the Connecticut Commission on the Arts to establish an ongoing children's performing arts program which would use this area for workshops and performances.

It should also be noted that through the generosity of the Old Saybrook Lion's Club a Community Band Stand (Gazebo) was completed adjacent to Memorial Park on Main Street. Since then many Community residents of all ages have enjoyed various entertaining programs jointly coordinated by the Old Saybrook Lion's Club and the Parks and Recreation Department.

In the area of facility development the Park and Recreation Commission has approved as a final phase of the present Town Park project the burial of overhead electrical lines which has been mandated by the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation project regulations. This particular phase of the project is expected to be completed during the fall of 1978.

The Park and Recreation Commission and Department Director Roger W. Goodnow are investigating and setting priorities for possible acquisition and development projects for the Community of Old Saybrook, with the aid of State and Federal grants. Seventy-five per cent of the project cost would be provided by this State and Federal assistance.

At present a number of facilities are maintained and programmed through the Parks and Recreation Department and they are as follows:

Recreation Center, located behind Town Hall—houses the Parks and Recreation Department offices, maintenance operations and a variety of recreational activities.



**Fortune teller Geri Roberts, Carnival Day — Playground**

Schoolhouse Road Town Park is a 180 acre Park and contains an assortment of cedar, dogwood, oak, chestnut and beech trees in a natural setting. There is a skating shelter, comfort stations, multi-purpose playfield, and public area within our Park, as well as five miles of hiking trails. Maps of all trails and applications for group outings at Town Park are available upon request at the Parks and Recreation Department Office.

Saybrook Acres Town Park located on Trask Road—a family activity park featuring four tennis courts, timberform play apparatus, multi-purpose play court area featuring outdoor basketball facilities. Rotary Field is located within the Park for youth ball games.

Veterans Memorial Park located on Main Street—dedicated to those who died while serving our country. Benches and landscaping provide a pleasant oasis in the center of town.

McMurray Field located adjacent to Main Street School—Youth ball field dedicated to the late local police officer Raymond McMurray.

School Facility Usage—major recreational program offerings take place in our school gymnasiums.

For many years the Park and Recreation Commission has concurred with the feelings of many citizens that a Community Center is essential to the recreational needs and welfare of the Community. The Commission is now proceeding with a survey to ascertain the extent of Community support and the method of funding for a Community Center.



Old Saybrook High Gym Transformed for the Magic Kingdom Ball—January 21, 1978.



Two Friendly Characters.



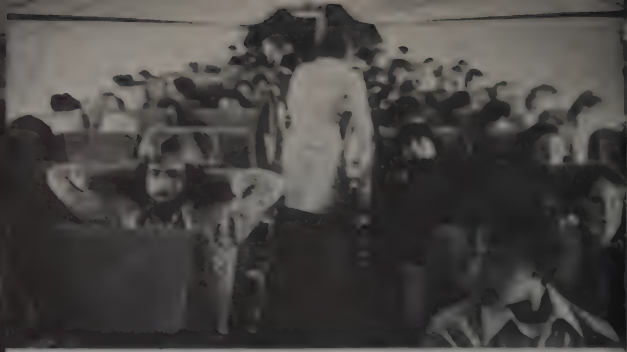
These Characters (Members of Old Saybrook Police Department) Welcomed Guests and Entertained.



The Ball Was the Major Fund Raiser for the Band's Trip.



**OUR OLD SAYBROOK HIGH SCHOOL BAND PERFORMS  
IN DISNEY WORLD APRIL 27TH AND 28TH.**



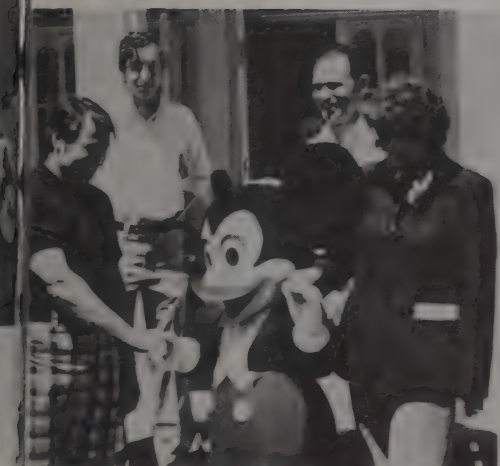
Ninety Four Prepare for Delta Flight No. 263.



Start of the Big Parade on Main Street U.S.A.







Meeting With "Mickey" the Official Host.



Stage Band Performs at "Fantasy Faire".



Chaperones Are Greeted by "Charlie Tuna" of Sea World, Orlando.



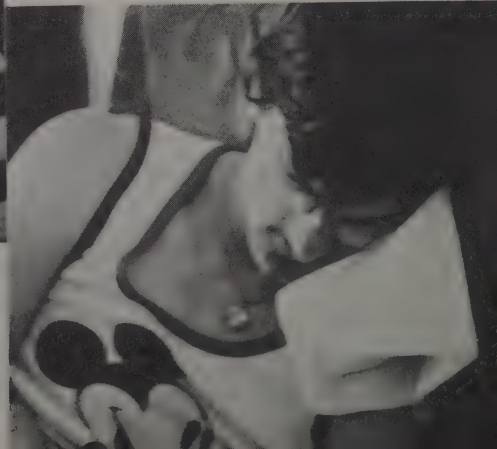
Coming Home With Great Memories!



Happy Expressions Tell Their Own Story.



It was a VERY Busy Four Days!



Photos by Roland W. Laine, Saybrook Studio.

In the area of department programs the staff has conscientiously strived to develop and maintain balanced and varied leisure time activities for residents of all ages.

In addition to established programs such as instructional swimming, athletic leagues, fine arts programs, the department this year has concentrated on increased program opportunities—particularly for senior citizens, junior and senior high youth and greater emphasis on family recreation programs. Special events such as the Christmas talking mailbox, family concerts on the green and the first Annual Senior Citizen Craft Exhibition highlighted greater recreational opportunities in Old Saybrook.

As more and more citizens avail themselves of the recreational programs offered, as was the case in the past year, the Park and Recreation Commission and the staff will endeavor to maintain both the diversity and quality of programs that citizens can now expect. However, it should be noted that if any further major budget cutbacks are imposed it will be impossible to maintain the present quality of the programs. Unfortunately due to the budget cut this year it has been necessary to increase the cost to individuals for the self-funding programs in order to maintain the quality of our programming.

A significant part of the department's ability to provide recreation programs is the unselfish dedication and commitment of time and efforts by individuals, agencies and organizations to benefit their community. It would be difficult to individually list all such participants but it is only fitting that in an annual report we express sincere appreciation to those who have helped in the past, and to encourage other citizens in the year to come to provide their ideas and talents to truly make this a community recreation program shared by all.

To better inform the general Community, the Parks and Recreation Department publishes a summer brochure and a fall and winter program guide which is distributed through the school assemblies and other public facilities.

Monthly notices are delivered to youth at community schools, keeping them abreast of new activities. In addition to the department's Saturday morning program on W.L.I.S. the following area newspapers frequently publish listings of department programs and commission activities: Hartford Courant, New London Day, Middletown Press, New Haven Register and the Pictorial.

It is our sincere hope that Community residents will participate and enjoy their Community facilities and programs in the year to come.

Respectfully,

DR. MILTON O. CLARK, Chairman

The members of the Park and Recreation Commission are:

Dr. Milton O. Clark, Chairman  
Dorothy Kosicki, Vice Chairman  
Patricia A. Kehoe, Secretary

Donald W. Durkee                      William Kavanagh  
Sherwood Harvey                      Lourdes E. Sheehan

The Parks and Recreation Department Staff are:

Roger W. Goodnow, Director  
Vicki Duffy, Superintendent of Recreation  
Carleton R. Lavery, Program Supervisor  
Dorothea O. Ladinig, Secretary/Bookkeeper  
Natalie H. Kuehneman, Secretary-Part Time/Comm. Sect'y.  
Charles L. Richards, Park Ranger/Maintenance

## **REPORT OF THE PENSION BOARD**

The members of the Pension Board are:

John A. Carey, Chairman  
William J. McKenna, Secretary  
William Willard

Douglas Olson served as a member of the Board until his resignation in September, 1977.

The Pension Board is scheduled to meet the last Thursday of each month at the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. During the last year ending June 30, 1978, the Board met five times.

In November of 1977 a member of the Board met with employees of the Maintenance Department, the Nurses and Board of Education employees covered by the Pension Plan. The meeting was productive and informative for all those present.

On January 12, 1978 the Board of Selectmen approved various amendments to the Plan that were described in last year's report. The Plan document as amended now states all provisions correctly.

At our September meeting the Board met with representatives of the Hartford National Bank (Plan Trustee).

Over eighty percent of the Fund is invested in U.S. Government Issues and is providing a good rate of return on our investment. The



balance of the Fund remains in a mixed stock portfolio and short term investments. The Fund balance is as follows:

Balance (6/30/77) .....	\$355,795.17
Employee Contributions .....	17,466.93
Town Contributions .....	40,000.00
Interest Earned .....	27,675.67
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Investments .....	(2,234.37) *
Subtotal	
Less: Refunds and Pension Payments	14,551.10
Balance 6/30/78 .....	<u>\$424,152.30</u>

\*The Market Value Loss is attributable to an increase in the level of interest rates over the fiscal year. This increase caused a decline in the value of the Bonds held in the Trust. As interest rates fall, the value of the Bonds will rise.

At our November meeting the Board met with a representative of Martin E. Segal Company (Plan Actuary). He was authorized to update our last Actuarial Valuation and Review to June 30, 1977. He was also asked to provide cost data if we opted to change certain features of the Plan.

In January, 1978 it was discovered that the Board of Education had never contributed any money to the Pension Fund. This was due to an unfortunate administrative oversight. The Board of Selectmen were notified of the situation. A Pension Board member attended the Board of Finance meeting on March 20, 1978 to explain the problem to them. It was agreed to increase the funding of the Plan and that the Pension Board would be responsible for the total funding required. On receipt of the Actuarial Valuation in May, 1978, it was determined that the assets of the Plan exceeded the "actuarially computed value of vested benefits" by \$122,700 thus the Fund was determined to be sound but would require a higher funding rate than we had been paying. The funding level authorized by the Board of Finance in March proved to be correct and will be maintained at that level.

JOHN A. CAREY,  
Chairman

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month and during the 1977-78 fiscal year average 1-1/2 hours per meeting. The Commission met a total of twenty-four times, three of which were public hearings.

Members reviewed and approved twenty-five Site Plans, two Special Exception applications, one Temporary Special Exception application, eleven Subdivision applications, five Special Exception referrals from the Zoning Board of Appeals, and one Zone Change. Also approved were an addition to the Town Beach bathhouse, one application for Open Space designation, changes to the Zoning Regulations, changes to the Subdivision Regulations and Zoning Regulations to implement flood plain management requirements, and minor changes to four Subdivisions and one Site Plan. Reviewed and denied was an application for an addition to the Zoning Regulations to allow apartments.

Joint meetings were held with the Board of Selectmen and representatives of the Regional Planning Agency concerning the proposed East-West Connector, and with the Board of Selectmen and members of the Coastal Area Management Program.

KENNETH GIBBLE,  
Chairman

The present members of the Old Saybrook Planning Commission are:

Kenneth Gible, Chairman

J. Sherman Mitchell, Vice Chairman

Andrew L. Koches, Secretary

Kathryn Meyer and Charles Hall

Alternate members are:

Robert Sadler, Anthony Bianca, Richard Ferraguto

Attorney George J. Kinsley of Clinton is the Commission's legal counsel, and Marion Carpenter serves as Clerk.

# REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICES

YEARLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
January 1977 thru December 1977

Complaints Answered .....	10,606
Motor Vehicle Accidents .....	611
Personal Injury .....	107
Property Damage .....	725
Insurance Purposes .....	76
Motor Vehicle Arrests .....	895
Radar .....	361
Hazardous .....	621
Non-hazardous .....	207
Motor Vehicle Written Warnings .....	1,227
Radar .....	345
Criminal Arrests .....	383
Felony .....	77
Misdemeanors .....	170
Juvenile (O. S. residents) .....	85
Persons confined .....	114
Services Rendered:	
Open doors and windows .....	927
Escorts .....	677
Assists .....	1,174
Alarm Tests .....	345
Alarms Answered .....	1,298
House Watches .....	402
Missing Persons Located .....	107

Total Mileage for Patrol Vehicles 1977—224,415

## POLICE COMMISSION MEMBERS

Thomas H. Decker—Chairman	William J. Dawson
Ernest J. Sparaco—Vice-Chairman	George L. Wright
Douglas Patterson—1/77-10/77	Jean Winkler—11/77-12/77

## MEMBERS OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Edmund H. Mosca—Chief	John O'Brien—Sergeant
Thomas S. O'Brien—Lieutenant	Richard O'Brien—Sergeant
William Gifford—Sergeant	Donald Warren—Sergeant
Michael Mulvihill—Sergeant	



**PATROLMEN**

Eugene Heiney	Robert Mulvihill	Thomas Stevenson
Michael Krajewski	Richard Nigosanti	James Stone
Charles Lyon	Richard Powers	Clayton Swain
Peter Marchese	Peter Santangelo	Kenneth Zimmer
John McConochie		

**SUPERNUMARIES**

Peter Dion	Charles Jones	Barry O'Neill
Bruce Healy	Thomas Newton	Wallace Perzanoski
Stuart Holly		

**POLICEWOMEN**

Ellen DeRevere	Margaret Viggiano
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**SECRETARIES**

Linda Gifford	Janet Marlowe
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The year 1977 was significant in the professional development of the members of the Department of Police Services. Through federal grant funds, all of our patrol officers were provided with at least one intensive 40 hour training course in crime scene investigation. This course was conducted by leading experts from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This program coupled with extensive ongoing in-service training has helped to make the Department more professional and effective in serving the town's citizens. Their effort can be measured by the fact that 2000 more cases were handled in 1977 than last year without an increase in manpower.

In 1977 we also continued to expand our very critical youth development and delinquency prevention program. The Department served as the catalyst with other town agencies in establishing a Juvenile Review Board which carefully considers each case where juvenile offenders are brought to the attention of police. The objective of the Board is to insure that the disposition of juvenile offenders is made in the best interest of the community and the juvenile involved. A creative video tape highlighting the inner workings of this program has been produced and has and will continue to be reviewed by communities throughout the state. The Department is excited about this concept and Old Saybrook residents are cordially invited to review this tape at any time.

Two new patrol sergeants were appointed by the Board of Police Commissioners during the past year and have assumed their duties as shift supervisors. These appointments have brought the level of field supervisors. These appointments have brought the level of field super-

vision to an acceptable level of effectiveness. Both sergeants have graduated from the Command Training Institute at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass.

The Department of Police Services has long recognized that the victim of a crime is often a forgotten element of the criminal justice system. Traditionally, too much attention is paid to the perpetrator of the crime, apprehending him, protecting his rights, and rehabilitating him in our correctional system. However, very little attention has been paid to the unfortunate victim. In an effort to establish the proper balance, the Department is developing a victim assistance program designed to see that the victims of crimes in our community are afforded the basic rehabilitative services that are frequently needed following a criminal incident. As with most of our programs, we hope to involve a broad segment of the community in the planning and implementation of this program.

The Department continues to be successful in its motor vehicle accident prevention program, as evidenced by the continual decline of traffic accidents occurring during the year. This program received an important boost from the State of Connecticut when it was granted an additional modern radar unit to facilitate the control of the speed limits within the community.

All residents are always welcome at the commission's monthly meetings. If you have a problem, complaint or just a basic interest in what is going on please feel free to join us at a future meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Police Commissioners

## **REPORT OF THE PROBATE COURT**

In making this report as your Judge of Probate, I would first like to thank the townspeople again for the honor of serving as their Judge. I have tried to administer the Court so you, the residents of Old Saybrook, will be served in an efficient and compassionate manner.

I have attended many seminars and forums with State Agencies, the Connecticut Bar Association and the Connecticut Probate Assembly regarding the implementation of new statutes affecting Probate Court actions.

Strict adherence to State statutes, which are enacted and revised yearly, is of grave importance to those we serve. For example, an affidavit by the parent or guardian giving a child in adoption must be given during two steps of the adoption procedure, or the adoption is not valid. Another example is that if the Court does not give proper

notification to parties entitled to notice in an estate matter, an executor or administrator might distribute cash or sell certain property only to have his actions challenged at a later date.

Our policy of opening the Court evenings during peak travel periods for the processing of passport applications has proven to be a convenience to those who can not come in during office hours. The use of our services for not only new passports but for amendments and inclusions continues to grow.

I supported the adoption of the Code of Probate Judicial Conduct and have made every effort to conduct your Court according to the high standards of the Code's provisions.

For your convenience, if we can be of service please call us at 388-5390 during the hours of 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. Monday through Friday.

Respectfully submitted,

ELTON D. RHODES, Judge

NORMA K. YEAGER, Assistant Clerk

DOROTHY W. RHODES, Assistant Clerk

#### STATISTICS

Intestate Estates opened .....	17
Testate Estates opened .....	50
Appointment of Conservators and Trustees, Adoptions .....	15
Small Estate Proceedings not requiring formal Probate .....	22
Formal Hearings held .....	156
Passport applications processed .....	216



Judge of Probate Elton Rhodes assisting a local citizen



## REPORT OF THE OLD SAYBROOK PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING BOARD

### MEMBERS

Chairman: Mr. Richard Swan  
 Vice-Chairman: Mrs. Corinne Ingellis  
 Treasurer: Mrs. Barbara Maynard, First Selectwoman  
 Secretary: Mrs. Ann Kowalski  
 Members: Mrs. Alma Reveley  
 Mr. Joseph Salustro  
 Mr. John Kosicki  
 Dr. Donald Cook, Health Officer  
 Mr. William Martin, Superintendent of Schools

### GROUP OF PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL (Advisory Committee):

Dr. Donald Cook  
 Dr. Richard Gritzmacher  
 Mr. Philip Ranelli, Registered Pharmacist  
 Mrs. Margaret Massini, Registered Hygienist  
 Miss Olive Little, Consumer  
 Mrs. Maxene Murphy, Consumer  
 Mr. Richard Swan, Chairman, Nursing Board  
 Miss Petty Haynes, R.N., Retired Public Health  
 Nurse  
 Mrs. Joan Pacelle, Registered Physical Therapist

### STAFF

Supervisor: Mrs. Barbara S. Hill, R.N.  
 Nurses: Miss Valerie Milardo, R.N., Senior Nurse  
 Mrs. Catherine Custer, R.N.  
 Mrs. Jo-Anne Kelly, R.N.  
 Mrs. Nancy Kenefick, R.N. (part-time)  
 Secretary: Mrs. Barbara Rivers

### CONTRACTED SERVICES THERAPISTS:

Mrs. Joan Pacelle, Registered Physical Therapist  
 Mrs. Leona Allen, Registered Physical Therapist  
 Mrs. Janie Nagler, Registered Speech Pathologist  
 Mrs. Janie Senay, Registered Speech Pathologist  
 Mrs. Mariana Kasper, Registered Occupational  
 Therapist

The Old Saybrook Public Health Nursing Board administers the provision of comprehensive nursing services for the individual, the family and the community to attain and maintain optimum health.

The Nursing Board meets the second Tuesday of each month except July and August. Meetings are held at the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m.

The Group of Professional Personnel advises the agency on professional issues, establishes and reviews policies and participates in the evaluation of the Agency's programs. At least two meetings are held each year.

The following breakdown of statistics gives a detailed description of the Agency activities. These will be explained and compared by Program.

### HOME CARE

The provision of comprehensive, intermittent nursing services to the patient and family in the home setting. This includes direct skilled nursing, counselling and teaching to the ill (acute and chronically), elderly, pre and post natal and growing family members; the coordination of services rendered by other members of the health team such as physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and home maker and home health aide assistance; and referrals to other community resources.

Total Patient Census: 276

### VISITS

Maternity .....	37
Health Promotion .....	376
Cancer .....	477
Cardiovascular .....	664
C.V.A. ....	225
Mental Illness .....	100
Mental retardation .....	3
Tuberculosis .....	19
Other non-communicable .....	860
Diabetes .....	46
Total visits .....	2,809
Not home .....	215
Grand total .....	3,024
Admissions .....	192
Discharges .....	158

### AGE CATEGORIES

Under 1 month .....	21
1 month - 1 year .....	23
1 - 4 years .....	37
5 - 19 years .....	43

20 - 44 years .....	168
45 - 64 years .....	620
65 - 74 years .....	638
Over 75 years .....	1,259

#### SEX CATEGORIES

Male .....	1,050
Female .....	1,759

#### CONTRACTED SERVICES VISITS

Physical Therapy .....	254
Home Health Aides .....	1,132
Speech Therapy .....	204
Occupational Therapy .....	34

Our total visits were the highest in the agency's history, an increase of one per day compared to last year. Visits increased in almost all categories, especially cardiovascular and Health Supervision and Promotion. Demands for contracted services increased—1 ½ times for Home Health Aides and double for Speech Therapy. We were pleased to be able to add Occupational Therapy as another privately-contracted service of our team.

#### SCHOOL HEALTH

The provision of comprehensive nursing services provided to the student and family in the school setting. This includes direct skilled nursing for the injured and ill student; health guidance, counselling and teaching to the student and family; screening for visual and hearing defects; maintenance of an up-to-date cumulative health information record for each student; and collaboration with school personnel in providing a healthful environment, physically and emotionally.

First Aid given .....	4,213
Illness visits .....	3,460
Students excluded .....	916
Students taken home .....	23
Students taken to MD .....	16
Health Counselling Sessions—	
Students .....	8,124
School Personnel .....	429
Parents .....	1,055
Physical Examinations—	
School .....	63
Sports .....	151



## Screenings—

Vision .....	2,198
Hearing .....	1,087
Height and weight .....	1,569

## Students found to have defects

Vision .....	97
Hearing .....	6

## Dental Programs—

## Flouride mouthrinse (grades K - 6)

Participants .....	816
Swishes .....	21,100
Flouride Treatment .....	341
SAC-Plak .....	507

Blood pressure checks .....	188
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## Immunizations

With school physical .....	14
State mandated .....	340

P.P.T. meetings .....	15
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Classroom inspections .....	10
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Classroom health teachings .....	8
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Total school care needs remained essentially the same with first aid increasing and illnesses decreasing. In spite of this, several months were very busy. The enforcements of Public Law 77-52 mandating that all students must be adequately protected against measles, rubella and polio to remain in school gave us the immediate challenge of meeting this requirement which involved record search, notices, validation, permission, immunization, documentation and much time. We did attain a 99.9% compliance by the end of the year which gave us the added satisfaction of the realization of a well protected student body.

Due to the generosity of the Rotary Club, we were able to provide free of charge a weekly flouride mouthrinse for the students in Grades K through 6. With the approval of our Dental Advisory Group and the Board of Education, the SAC-Plak program funded by the Salvation Army was started at Goodwin School. This consists of screening for dental defects, education about proper care including a plaque light demonstration and guidance toward restorative care. These programs supplemented by the already existing voluntary flouride treatment program and dentally safe snack classroom activities are giving our students a unique opportunity to learn, practice and use good dental care habits. The temporary addition to our staff of two school health aides through CETA funding made it possible for us to meet these challenges with ease and efficiency without jeopardizing our other school responsibilities or Home Care demands.

# CHILD HEALTH CONFERENCES

Health clinic by appointment for Old Saybrook residents 0 - 5 years of age who do not have their own physician held one morning per month at Goodwin School. A pediatrician is in attendance to examine the children and counsel the parents. Immunizations are given, various screening tests are administered and health guidance and counselling are provided by the nurses at the clinic and in the home.

Clinic census .....	50
Number of clinics .....	10
Number of clinic visits .....	99
New admissions .....	23
Mother Circle meetings .....	5
Total attendance .....	26

New admissions and the number of clients increased. Our newborn patients increased by 15%. A total of 4 referrals were made for further treatment.

Our two very able local pediatricians continue to share the clinic responsibilities. Mothers' Circle, a discussion group consisting of but not limited to our Child Health Conferences mother, held some interesting meetings where through resource guests, filmstrips and talking, the joys and challenges of parenting were shared.

# COMMUNITY HEALTH

Provision of comprehensive nursing services to the community for the prevention of disease and the promotion and maintenance of health and well-being. These include screening, mass immunization, group counselling and health education.

## Flu Immunization Clinic for the Elderly—250.

	No. of clinics	No. checked	No. referred
Blood Pressure Clinics—			
Liberty Bank for Savings .....	2	216	6
Senior Citizen Estuary .....	11	196	8
Lions Glaucoma .....	1	80	1
Health Day .....	1	213	21
Industries .....	8	306	4

A flu clinic was held for our area elderly at the Senior Citizen Estuary lunch to continue the practice of providing them with this protection. Our public Blood Pressure screenings held in October and January at Liberty Savings Bank, those taken at the Glaucoma screening in conjunction with the Lions Club and the monthly checks and counselling at the Estuary Senior Citizens lunches were still not reach-

ing a segment of concern in our population, the young and middle-aged adult of the working force, so we extended our blood pressure monitoring into the local industries. We were able to visit eight of our town's industries and hope to continue during the next year.

#### Health Day—

Number of participants 252

Screenees and abnormalities	No. tested	No. referred
Glaucoma .....	151	7
Chest X-Ray .....	148	13
Oral Cancer .....	125	14
Breast examination .....	81	4
Prostate examination .....	43	4
Blood tests .....	190	8
Hearing .....	63	16

May 6 was the Annual Health Day co-sponsored with the Westbrook, Old Lyme and Lyme Public Health Nursing Agencies and the Shoreline Junior Women's Club. Seven dentists, four doctors and 24 nurses and 35 volunteers helped to make the day successful. There was a general feeling of a worthy job well done and the inspiration to continue for many more Annuals.

TIME ANALYSIS	No. of hours
Home visiting .....	3,216 $\frac{1}{4}$
Office visiting .....	44
Home Health Aide Supervision .....	43 $\frac{1}{4}$
Clinics .....	342 $\frac{1}{4}$
Classes taught .....	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
Community Activities .....	159 $\frac{1}{2}$
School nursing .....	2,980
Staff Education	
School .....	55
Public Health .....	287 $\frac{1}{2}$
Utilization Review .....	35
Administration/Supervision	
School .....	319 $\frac{1}{2}$
Public Health .....	645 $\frac{1}{2}$
Total School .....	3,355 $\frac{1}{2}$
Total Public Health .....	4,785
Grand Total Nursing Hours .....	8,140 $\frac{1}{2}$
Clerical .....	1,203
School Health Aides .....	2,162



With very slight fluctuations (home visiting increasing and school decreasing), total hours remained unchanged. Community involvement was less. Time given to Home Care patient pre and post activities due to Federal requirements showed an increase.

### FEE ANALYSIS

Full Pay: Actual nursing care given with the full charge paid by the patient or by private insurances.

Part Pay: Actual nursing care given to patients whose earnings allow them to pay only a portion of the charge per visit.

Free: Actual nursing care given to patients who are unable to pay for various reasons such as: long-term illness, wage-earner who is incapacitated or patients not covered by Medicare or other insurance.

Town: Actual nursing care is NOT given. These are Health Supervision, teaching and counseling visits, psychiatric visits and communicable disease visits.

Collections: Monies which are received for all charged services: nursing, physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy and home health aide services and returned to the Town's General Fund.

	No. of visits
Full Pay .....	123
Part Pay .....	347
Free .....	518
Town .....	519
Department of Social Services .....	56
Medicare A .....	857
Medicare B .....	277
Veteran's Administration .....	52
Blue Cross Home Care .....	60
Office visits .....	152

Payment for our visits increased in most categories, particularly by third party payers such as Medicare, Blue Cross Home Care and other insurances indicating the appreciation of the value of Home Care by more insurance companies. Office visits increased by 1/5.

### COLLECTIONS

Medicare .....	\$38,987.13
Blue Cross Home Care .....	2,119.89
Department of Social Services .....	1,704.60
Veteran's Administration .....	1,006.35
Direct patient payment .....	6,083.42
Total .....	<u>\$49,968.89</u>

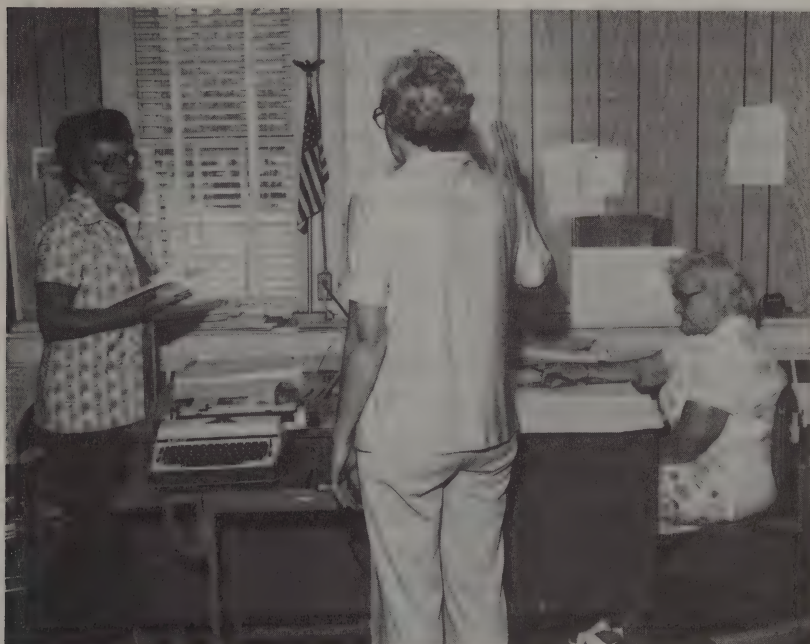
Payments for nursing and contracted services increased by 22% for Medicare patients, by 7 times for Blue Cross Home Care participants, and by 50% by direct payers which include other insurances. The total returned to the General Fund was over 25% greater than last year.

With the growing demands in the Home Care Program from both increased patient and family needs and federal requirements, the Board and the staff face a challenging year ahead to meet these demands without diminishing aspects of the other programs. As always, we shall continue to evaluate, improve and expand our services to reach our goal of meeting the needs of the community and providing the best possible programs and care.



Old Saybrook's Exchange Club has replaced the pipe poles on Main Street with new fiberglass flag poles. Every weekend during the summer and for every holiday, the dedicated members of the Exchange Club show evidence of Old Saybrook's patriotism by raising thirty flags. Townspeople and tourists alike express pride in the appearance of Old Saybrook's Main Street.

## REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS



Registrars admitting a new elector

We continue to perform our duties according to the State statutes in order to keep up with changes and additions to the registration and election laws; also directives from the Secretary of the State's Office. We attend many seminars throughout the year.

Our canvass returns still present a little more study. By law we have a Town canvass of every elector in Town in order to keep our lists up to date. From the information we receive from our canvassers, then by due process of law, we must send "Intended Removal Slips". We urge anyone receiving these to complete the forms and return them to us immediately so our lists will be up to date.

We wish at this time to thank all our election workers and canvassers, Town Hall personnel, and Town residents, who have helped us during the year. We particularly wish to thank our Deputy Registrars, Mrs. Dorothy Koches, Mrs. Phyllis Fowler, and kind remembrances to Jan Fenger who resigned this summer.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE C. WALSH,  
Democratic Registrar  
JEAN B. WINKLER,  
Republican Registrar



## **REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RIVER TRAFFIC CONTROL**

The boating season officially began for the River Patrol this year on Memorial Day as we carried the wreath into the river as part of dockside memorial service. We anticipate that we will continue our patrol into October, by which time activity on the water begins dropping off. After the patrol is over, the 23' Formula will be kept in the water on emergency stand-by and will be one of the last boats to be pulled. The 15' Mako is kept on a trailer in the police garage and is available for emergencies all winter.

This year has been important to the Town for two reasons. First, we have again been able to provide a patrol in the Indiantown area. Mr. Thomas Laine, a teacher in the Junior High School, was taken on as the third patrolman and has spent the majority of his time between Cornfield Point and Chalker Beach. The second reason is that the main patrol vessel, the 23' Formula, has been repaired and is now up to its original capabilities.

We have continued the night watch on North Cove in cooperation with the Waterfront Commission and the Department of Police Services. This is a seven night a week patrol on the Cove, the cost of which is covered completely by mooring fees of the boats in the Cove. Our watchmen this year were Steve Bushnell and Chris Heiney.

The main function of the River Patrol is to enforce the State Boating Law along Old Saybrook's shoreline. During last season, officers James Barnes and Leroy Strohla, assisted by boathandler Willis Nealley reported 701 contacts with the boating public of which 212 received written warnings and 20 received tickets. The standard offenses are speeding and leaving too large a wake, although we are also interested in people that venture out without sufficient PFD's (personal flotation devices).

A secondary function of the patrol is search and rescue when it is called for within the immediate vicinity of Old Saybrook. Often we can respond significantly faster than the Coast Guard to an emergency situation. Fortunately, this year, thankfully, we have not had any emergencies of a serious nature.

It should be of interest to the Town that out of a budget of \$7,600 for last year, we were reimbursed by the State Boating Fund in the amount of \$4,311.63. That means that the Town is receiving quite a bit of protection for less than \$3,500.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES N. BARNES,  
Director

## REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

The main function of the Tax Collector is to collect taxes and turn them over to the Treasurer as efficiently and expeditiously as possible. In these aspects we were again able to maintain the high standards we set last year. Tax bills were sent out early and monies turned over to the Treasurer at the end of June enabled her to meet the obligations of the Town without borrowing in anticipation of tax collections.

We saw the enactment of a new tax law on taxing automobiles. This law was enacted to plug a loop hole in the old method of taxing automobiles. It added \$63,000 to our 1976 Grand List. While this new law is not 100% perfect, it certainly made the taxing of automobiles more equitable.

A new addition to our office this past June was very welcome. It is a new N.C.R. Bookkeeping-Validating Machine. Our old machine made many mistakes that kept us burning the midnight oil to find. Even though we were told by N.C.R. that our old machine was worthless and could not be used as a trade-in, we found that it was worth \$400 to another town to be used as a validating machine.

This past year I attended all meetings of the State and Middlesex County Tax Collector's Associations. The information obtained from these meetings is invaluable. I also attended the New Hampshire State Tax Collector's Seminar as well as our own State Seminar. I was also honored to be appointed to the State Tax Collectors' Association's Legislative Committee.

Again, our emphasis was on collecting back taxes and getting accounts up to date. We collected \$211,432.39 in back taxes, interest, lien fees and suspense items while amaintaining a 97% collection on the current list.

All in all, this was a very successful year for us, and I would like to acknowledge publicly and thank my very capable Assistant Tax Collector, Mrs. Dorothy Dempsey, and my part time clerk, Mrs. Phyllis Fowler, for their invaluable help; also the members of the Assessor's Office for their complete cooperation without which no Tax Collector could maintain an efficient office.

OLIVE P. MULVIHILL,  
Tax Collector

DOROTHY S. DEMPSEY,  
Assistant Tax Collector

## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TAX REVIEW**

The BOARD OF TAX REVIEW for the Town of Old Saybrook respectfully submits the following report concerning it's activities for the year.

The Board of Tax Review, a three member, two year term, elected board, meets in accordance with State Statute, during the month of February. The Board hears compliants for relief of assessments, and other matters that properly come before it.

The Board held eight regular meetings and one organizational meeting.

The Board made 26 reductions and 12 increases in assessment. It added 47 lists to the Grand List.

The Grand List was certified by the Board of Tax Review at \$127,170,994.00.

The minutes of the meetings of the Board of Tax Review are filed with the Town Clerk as required by State Statute and are open to public inspection.

The Board of Tax Review gratefully acknowledges the valuable assistance of Walter Birk the Assessor, Charles Doherty the Town Clerk, Attorney Michael Cronin the Town Counsel, and last but not least Ann Addis the Assessor's assistant and Necia Courtney of the Assessor's office. Without the help of these individuals this Board could not have functioned.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. FLINT, Chairman  
MARY LUBS  
HELEN EUKERS

## **REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK**

The year of 1977-78 was another year of significant growth and progress in your Town Clerk's Office. My staff and I will continue to meet the challenges and problems of a town growing steadily and comfortably with both progress and deliberate foresight.

This past year has again exceeded any previous year as to all types of licensing and land transfers. The indexing and recording of all real estate transactions continue to be our main function.

Fortunately, due to the excellent planning of a previous administration, and unlike many of our neighboring towns, our land record vault is very adequate, and will be for some years to come.



The Town Clerk's Office has shown a steady growth in all forms of land transfers. This of course is added income to the Town of Old Saybrook. The Conveyance Taxes collected by this office amounted to approximately \$21,522.00, which was turned over to the Town Treasurer for deposit in the General Fund. The issuance of dog, hunting, fishing and bee licenses, and majority cards (I.D.) also reflects a substantial increase over previous years.

My thanks go out once again to the citizens of Old Saybrook for your confidence and trust, and by returning me to this office for my fourth straight term.

Also, my sincere thanks to my very capable assistant Jeanne Kelly, and part-time assistant Irna Miserocchi for their loyalty and dedication in this very busy office.

Cordially,

CHARLIE DOHERTY

## REPORT OF THE V.F.W. POST NO. 10153

Our Post originated on April 11, 1968 with 51 members. Today, our ranks have swelled to 149 with 26 life members.

The officers for the 1978-79 fiscal year are:

Commander	Martin L. Murphy
Senior Vice and Service Officer	Robert A. LaPlace
Junior Vice	Darrel Smith
Adjutant	W. Frazier Brinley
Quartermaster	Robert D. Wilson
Committee Chairmen:	
Americanism	Raymond Monk
Community Activities and	
Voice of Democracy	Robert A. LaPlace
Hospital	Herbert Luck
Youth Activities	George Wright, Jr.

### AIMS:

1. Help all veterans and their families
2. Visit Veterans' Hospitals
3. Conduct Annual Poppy Drive and Bicycle Safety Program
4. Recognize the 'Citizen of the Year'
5. Award athletic scholarship to an Old Saybrook High School student
6. Make available V.F.W. building to area residents during an emergency

Post Meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday, every month at 8 PM.

## ACTIVITIES:

1. Annual Testimonial Dinner-Dance honoring 'Citizen of the Year'
2. Bingo every Monday Night
3. Color Guard participation throughout area
4. Building available for social activities and Tag sales conducted by the Post and Ladies Auxiliary

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN L. MURPHY,  
Commander

## REPORT OF THE V.F.W. LADIES AUXILIARY OF OLD SAYBROOK, POST NO. 10153

## Officers:

President	Patricia Griffin
Secretary	Kathleen Moritz
Treasurer	Marion Hebert
Senior Vice	Claire Sypher
Junior Vice	Jan Shultz

The Ladies Auxiliary assist the men in all their activities and also have the following fund raising activities:

1. Contribute to the summer camp for underprivileged children
2. Contribution made to the National Home in Cedar Rapids, Michigan
3. Cancer Aid and Research
4. Heart Fund
5. Volunteer work at various hospitals
6. Assist in Bingo
7. Visits to Veterans Hospitals to sponsor bingo parties for the patients.
8. Refreshments made and served by the Auxiliary
9. Assist the Town of Old Saybrook in their Community Chest program
10. Assist the Post in their annual poppy drive.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA GRIFFIN, President  
V.F.W. AUXILIARY, POST 10153

## REPORT OF THE WATERFRONT COMMISSION

The Waterfront Commission has been involved in various activities for the 1977-78 boating season.

The Commission continued to supervise the leasing of moorings at North Cove and slips at the Ferry Road dock. With the fees collected from these two areas the Commission operates totally out of its own revenues.

Although no major programs were initiated, the Commission continued to provide the necessary maintenance for the town docks. Presently, dredging operations at the Ferry Road Dock have been completed, resulting in improved docking conditions.

In an effort to control vandalism, the Commission has continued to provide for a security patrol in the North Cove mooring area during the summer seasons.

Many matters of a routine nature received the Commission's attention throughout the year. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall.

### The Commissioners:

David M. Shuck	(R)	Dave Shannon	(D)
Patrick Barry	(D)	David Squires	(R)
Howard Richardson	(R)		

### Other personnel:

James S. Mitchell, Dock Master  
Karen O'Neill, Clerk

## REPORT OF THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT

In Connecticut, the cities and towns are designated by Statute with the responsibility for the provision of General Assistance in accordance with mandatory standards set by the Commissioner of the Connecticut State Department of Social Services.

General Assistance is a form of aid to families and individuals who have no resources or insufficient resources to meet essential maintenance and other needs and who have no immediate eligibility for assistance under a State or Federal Program.

This assistance is generally for a short period, until recipients are accepted for State assistance or until their financial situation improves and they are no longer eligible for assistance.



In the past year the Town assisted for varying periods of time 25 families with a total of 86 people and 22 adult individuals.

Once again the Old Saybrook Welfare Department has had the opportunity to cooperate with Church and civic groups in the distribution of food and clothing, especially during holiday seasons. This activity is made possible only by the unselfish efforts of many people and the generosity of our residents.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT CARLSON

## **REPORT OF THE YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES COMMISSION**



**Youth and Family Services Staff**

Regular meetings of the Youth and Family Services Commission are held the first Wednesday of every month at the Youth and Family Services Office, 334 Main Street, 7:30 p.m.

### **1978-1979 ACTIVITIES**

The Youth and Family Services Commission continuously strives to provide needed social services to the citizens of Old Saybrook. The past year has been an exception to this attempt.

Youth and Family Services (334 Main Street) is the agency that provides and coordinates the social services on behalf of youth and families in the community.

In addition to on-going programs, other services are available by the acquisition of grant funds.

A description of 1977-78 activities is as follows:

**COUNSELING PROGRAMS:** The position of counselor is being made a staff position as of September 1, 1978, rather than a contractual service. Gary Porter who holds a M.S. degree in Psychology, is the counselor who provides individual, group, and family counseling. Mr. Porter will continue to provide a training program for effective parenting to people in the community who recognize that raising children is not a "natural" phenomenon and that raising children in today's society is a challenge that requires skill.

The statistical breakdown of counselor services is:

Type of Problem	Number of Clients Referred
Family Conflict .....	33
Emotional Distress .....	22
Drug and/or Alcohol Counseling .....	3
Child Abuse/Neglect .....	1
School Phobia/Truancy .....	4
Runaway .....	5
Criminal Mischief .....	7
Other .....	4
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Total Number of Clients Referred .....	79

The above referrals are represented in the following disposition:

Individual Counseling Sessions .....	186
Family Counseling Sessions .....	89
Parent Training Participants .....	31
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Total Number of Client Contacts .....	306

**COMMUNITY SOCIAL WORKER:** This position has now been in effect on a part-time basis for a full year. The position was created in response to residents' requests and incorporates the mandate that the Board of Selectmen appoint a Municipal Agent for the Aging. Mrs. LeBlanc has sought to meet the needs of anyone requiring service from infancy through retirement.

The statistical breakdown of services provided is:

Type of Problem	Number of Clients Referred
Family Conflict .....	11
Emotional Distress .....	10
Budget and Financial Counseling .....	14
Drug and/or Alcohol Counseling .....	14
Home Assessment/Evaluation .....	9
Supportive Services to Physically Ill .....	10
Child Abuse/Neglect .....	6
Supportive Services to Elderly .....	12
Criminal Mischief .....	2
Other .....	2
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Total Referrals .....	40

**JUVENILE DIVERSION BOARD:** The Juvenile Diversion Board consists of seven youth-serving professionals. Present members are: Ellen DeRevere, Police Youth Officer; Reverend DeRevere; Barbara Hill, Public Health Nurse; Dr. Donald Cook, Physician; Patricia Vernon, School Psychologist; Gary Porter, Youth and Family Services Counselor; and the Executive Director of Youth and Family Services. (Mr. D'Amico filled this position 1977-78)

The Board has scheduled meetings at least once every two weeks. Cases involving anti-social behavior, conflict in the home or community, or other social and emotional difficulties are referred to the Board. Sixty-Six cases were reviewed and recommendations made to co-ordinate supportive and rehabilitative services as an alternative to or adjunct to Juvenile Court.

The philosophy of the Juvenile Diversion Board is that children can be best served and resources best provided in the home community.

**BIG SISTER PROGRAM:** The Big Sister Program provides acceptance, understanding, guidance, and a role model to young girls aged 7 to 13 who have social or recreational needs. A young girl is matched with a woman from the community with similar interests and together they participate in social, recreational and cultural activities. During the past year, 13 matches were made.

**EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM:** In addition to serving as Big Sister Program Co-ordinator, Ms. Sola administrates the Employment Program. In response to advertising, residents call Youth and



Family Services regarding positions available for youth. These positions may be on-going or temporary; 104 jobs were made possible last year.

**HOST HOME PROGRAM:** The Host Home Program responds to situations involving runaways. When the agency is informed that a youth has left home or is a potential runaway, he or she is placed with a voluntary Host Home family in town for a period up to two weeks. The Youth and Family Services staff works toward a reconciliation with both the family and youngster. Four placements were made in 1977-78.

On July 7, 1978 the Commission regretfully accepted the resignation of Mr. Sal D'Amico as Executive Director of Youth and Family Services. The Commission wishes Mr. D'Amico continued success.

For Service call 388-4089 or 388-9322.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA VERNON,  
Chairman

**COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

Patricia Vernon, Chairperson	Turie Brunschwig
Edward Knapp, Vice Chairperson	Roger Goodnow
(Chairperson, 1978-79)	Pressly Millen
Barbara Hill	Peter Dion (Resigned 7/78)
Ellen DeRevere	Peter Demas (Resigned 7/78)

**YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES STAFF:**

Salvatore A. D'Amico, M.A., Executive Director (Resigned 7/78)  
 Gary C. Porter, M.S., Counselor  
 Catherine A. Sola, B.S., Secretary/Big Sister Program Co-ordinator  
 Janet B. LeBlanc, B.S.S.W., Community Social Worker

## REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS



**Zoning Board of Appeals**

During the year, a total of 68 appeals and 6 requests for Special Exceptions have been heard. The disposition of these appeals are as follows:

- 34 appeals were granted
- 34 appeals were denied
- 6 special exceptions were granted

The monies collected totaled \$2,385.00

Each board member, in addition to attending the regular monthly meeting, is requested to inspect the properties and familiarize him or herself with the pertinent information concerning each appeal.

The Zoning Board of Appeals has been delegated the additional responsibilities of hearing appeals of our new Flood Plain Management Ordinance.

In an attempt to better inform the residents of the Town of Old Saybrook, the Board now provides a list of instructions to the applicant prior to the hearing to familiarize the applicant with the requirements for filing an appeal.

The Zoning Board of Appeals meets the second Wednesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in meeting Room No. 5 of the Town Hall.

The Board, at this time, would like to thank our Zoning Enforcement Officer, Robert J. Walsh for his cooperation and vast knowledge of zoning which we have found to be invaluable.

Chairman Donald W. Kemble and Secretary Carl S. VonDassel would like to express their deep appreciation to Board members Charles B. Stone, James R. Crozier, Henry Jendzejec, and Alternates William B. Neer, Edward M. Marcolini, and Susan C. Wind for the unselfish giving of their time to fulfill the functions of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD W. KEMBLE, Chairman  
CARL S. VonDASSEL, Secretary

## REPORT OF THE ZONING COMMISSION

The present members of the Old Saybrook Zoning Commission are: Phyllis P. Folsom, Chairman; Edward F. McSweegan, Jr., Vice Chairman; Robert A. Massa, Secretary; Betsy Ranelli and George Steele. Alternate members are Jordan Butler, Elaine Newgarden and Charles Ficker.

Attorney George J. Kinsley of Clinton is the Commission's legal counsel, and Marion Carpenter serves as Clerk.

Meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month. When a meeting date falls on a holiday, the meeting is rescheduled. The Commission met a total of twenty-three times during the 1977-1978 fiscal year and averaged over two hours per meeting. Seven of the meetings were public hearings.

Members reviewed and approved twenty-four Site Plans, two Special Exception applications, one Temporary Special Exception application and one Zone Change. Reviewed and denied were an application for an addition to the Zoning Regulations to allow apartments, and an application for changes to the regulations to allow homes on 12,500 square foot lots in the AA-1 zone.

Several amendments were made to the Zoning Regulations, including amendments necessary to implement flood plain management requirements.

Inspected and approved were four gravel pit operations and one peat bog.

All meetings of the Zoning Commission are open to the general public.

PHYLLIS P. FOLSOM, Chairman



## **REPORT OF THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The Zoning Enforcement Officer has the responsibility of insuring that the land use, ground coverage area, and height of all structures conform to the current Zoning Regulations of the Town of Old Saybrook. Those regulations were established to insure that individuals or business firms, presently using the land and conforming to the regulations, would be protected from those who seek to do otherwise. If there is a hardship in conforming to current regulations, it may be possible that relief can be obtained through the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The right of a municipality to establish a zoning ordinance is derived through the U.S. Constitution and, subsequently, through the powers of the State. It was originally intended to be local policy; however, Federal and State Legislatures, and the Courts, have increasingly placed added restrictions, regulations and policies upon local authorities.

In July 1974 the town entered the "emergency" phase of the National Flood Insurance Program, administered by the Department of Urban Development, thereby enabling residents in flood prone areas to obtain low cost, subsidized insurance up to \$35,000. In June 1978, faced with a federally imposed deadline to meet the "regular" flood insurance program, the town enacted a Flood Plain Management Ordinance and amended its Zoning and Subdivision Regulations. Enrollment in the "regular" program will have a threefold effect upon the town and its residents: (1) the town will continue to be eligible to receive federal funds in the event of a major flood; (2) owners of existing structures may secure insurance for the full value of their buildings and possessions, up to \$185,000., and (3) buyers of new construction will have some assurance that their residences and possessions would be reasonably safe from flooding. The necessity of such a program can be found in a recent publication by the National Academy of Sciences which states, in part, "A typical example was the hurricane of 1938 along the New England coast. It had been over a hundred years since the last hurricane had struck there. In spite of warnings, people could not believe that such a storm was possible and did not evacuate. Similarly, when hurricane Audrey hit the Louisiana coast in 1957, many persons resisted evacuation efforts because they and their parents had lived there undisturbed. They perished."

It is the desire of this office to be ever helpful to all prospective purchasers to insure that their intended investment does, or does not, conform to existing zoning regulations.

As a general rule, the Zoning Enforcement Officer attempts to spend the morning hours at the Town Hall office and the afternoon hours conducting field inspections. However, all requests for pre-arranged appointments will be honored.

The implementation of changes to the Zoning Regulations and the recently enacted Flood Plain Management Ordinance have substantially increased the professional and administrative work load of the Zoning Department. In that regard I would like to thank Marion Carpenter, who serves as Secretary of the Zoning Office and Deputy Zoning Enforcement Officer, for her assistance and cooperation.

Very respectfully,

ROBERT J. WALSH  
Zoning Enforcement Officer



Members of Old Saybrook's Garden Club have always played an active role in the beautification of Old Saybrook. Plantings appear along Main Street and other areas of town early in the spring and greatly add to the beauty of our town. We are all grateful for their efforts.

## HISTORICAL INFORMATION

From the hand written records of Mrs. Harriet Chesebrough

### LION GARDINER

"Lion Gardiner lived in one of the grand epochs of modern times; that which witnessed the rise of the Republic in Holland, the establishment of the Commonwealth in England, and the colonization of the Puritans in New England. He was born in the days of Queen Elizabeth, and attained to majority during the reign of the first English Sovereign of the House of Stuart. In the struggle between the King and Parliament, he adhered to the Parliament party; was a dissenter, and friend of the Puritans."

Volunteering to maintain the Republican standard in Holland, he went thither with English allies under Lord Vere in time of Charles 1st. Here he became Lieut. of Engineers, and Master of works of Fortification in the legers of the Prince of Orange in the Low Countries. While there, eminent Puritans, acting for a company of Lords and gentlemen approached him with an offer to go to New England in company with John Winthrop Jr. build a Fort with houses for men of quality expecting to settle there, and lay out a town on the new plantation in project at the mouth of Connecticut river. The offer was accepted through the persuasion of Hugh Peters, pastor of a church of English exiles at Rotterdam, and John Davenport a dissenting minister from London. He was to receive 100 pounds per annum for a term of four years, himself and family furnished transportation and subsistence, to the place of destination, to serve the company only in the drawing, ordering and making of a city, Town and Fort of defence, under direction of John Winthrop the younger. On July 10th, 1635 Lion Gardiner left Worden, taking passage at Rotterdam for London, and on the 16 of August set sail for New England; being 3 months and 10 days from Gravesend to Boston. Early in 1636, the good ship "Batchelor" of twenty-five tons, which had carried himself and family safely from Holland to England and across the Atlantic, through many tempests, bore them safely to their distination. The passengers are mentioned as 12 men and 2 women; with freight for the construction of the Fort. Iron work for two draw-bridges; consisting of 62 staples, 40 staple-hooks for Portcullis, 4 Chains, 10 bolts, 4 plates, 8 chain-clasps, 4 under-hinges, 23½ yds. of red flag-stuff, small lines and a wheel-barrow are mentioned. Lieut. Gardiner's household consisted of himself aged 36, his wife Mary aged 34, Elizabeth Collett maid servant age 23, and Wm. Joep workmaster aged 40, who all brought certificates from a Calvinistic church in Holland.

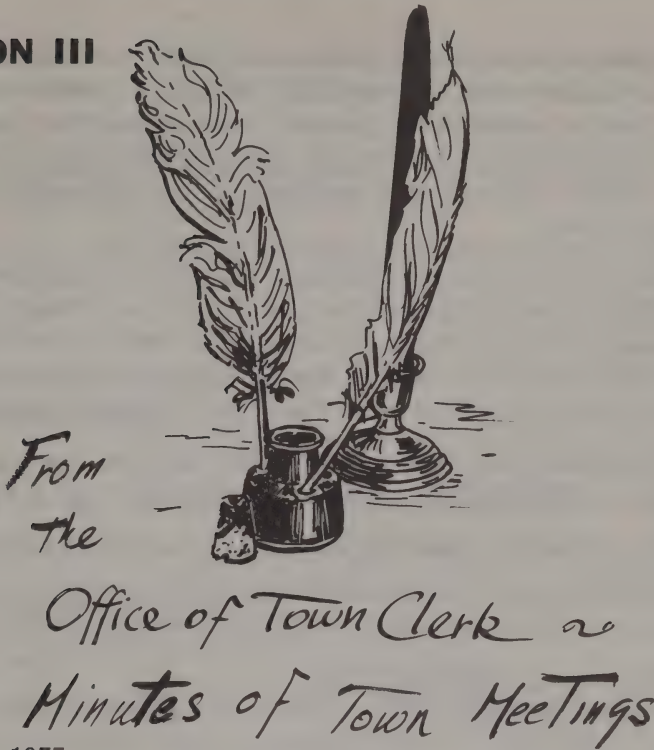




With the men and means at his command, a Fort of square hewn timbers, with ditch and pallisade, was soon constructed, that could not be successfully assailed by approaches on firm ground. After commanding the fortress for four years, laying out into squares the entire acreage within the Neck-Gate, perambulating and surveying the country for ten miles around, blazing trees and setting up mere-stones to mark the town boundary, Lion Gardiner's term of engagement with the Patentees expired. Having purchased for 10 coats of trading-cloth from the Montauk Indians, an island lying adjacent to what is now the town of Easthampton on Long Island and which now bears his name, he removed thither with his family; taking soldiers from the Fort to defend, and bring under cultivation the 3,000 acres his purchase comprised. It was the earliest English settlement within the limits of the present State of New York.

In Wyandance, a younger brother of the grand Sachem who lived on Shelter Island, he found a trusted friend. Gardiner's Island being

open to Indian depredations without such an ally, would have been a more hazardous spot than Saybrook Fort menaced by 100 Pequot warriors. By such friendly relations, he was able to foil conspiracies against English settlements of older date. After 13 years on the Island, he removed to East Hampton, where he died in 1663 aged 63 years. The Island which he gave to his wife, she bequeathed to her eldest son David; "in-tail" to the first male heirs following forever. Right to the Island was confirmed by grant from the Earl of Sterling, whose patent included territory in which it was embraced, after the islands of the Sound passed to New Netherlands. Under this grant, David Gardiner could make such laws as he pleased, for civil and church government; if "according to God and the King". In 1664, the English having dispossessed the Dutch at New Netherlands, Gardiner obtained from Gov. Nichols a new grant, for a Quit-rent of 5 pounds a year. In 1683, the Island was attached to the County of Suffolk for taxable purposes. David Gardiner feeling aggrieved, petitioned the Gov. for relief; praying for an Independent Jurisdiction for the Island. Gov. Dougan's confirmatory grant created the Island in 1866, "One Lordship and Manor of Gardiners Island". Practically this did not change a thing, as the Island was created a Manor by the Earl of Sterling's grant to David's father Lion Gardiner. The original document conferring this title, with the unique seal of the Province is a trophy still preserved; also the Geneva Bible with its family record in Lion Gardiner's handwriting. Thus the early proprietors were authorized to call themselves "American Lords".

**SECTION III**

August 25, 1977

Minutes of a Special Town Meeting held at the Old Saybrook Senior High School August 25, 1977, at 8:00 P.M. with approximately 60 interested citizens present.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Barbara J. Maynard who then called for nominations for Moderator. Michael Cronin was unanimously chosen as Moderator. The Moderator then requested Town Clerk Charles L. Doherty, Jr. to read the legal call of the meeting. The call was read and voted to be the legal call of the meeting.

Item No. 1 To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$225,000.00 for the construction of a Town Garage and Animal Shelter on property owned by the Town of Old Saybrook on the westerly side of Route No. 154; \$180,000.00 of said sum to be taken from and paid out of the Capital Outlay Sinking Fund and \$45,000.00 of said sum to be taken from and paid out of the Unappropriated General Fund Balance.

The First Selectwoman stood and addressed herself to this item explaining the need and importance of having a Town Garage and Animal Shelter. Mrs. Maynard stated that this matter was first mentioned publicly approximately 14 years ago.



A question arose from the floor about a "generator" for the proposed structure. After much discussion, Mr. William R. Marques of Forest Glen Road requested that a generator be purchased from any monies left over in the Town Garage and Animal Shelter contingency fund. On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to accept this item.

Item No. 2 To amend Ordinance No. 68 to change the name of the "Youth Service Commission" to "Youth and Family Services Commission" and to change the name of the "Youth Service Bureau" to "Youth and Family Services Bureau", a copy of proposed changes on file in the office of the Town Clerk, Old Saybrook, Connecticut.

On a motion duly made and seconded, this item was unanimously accepted.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

C. L. DOHERTY, JR.,  
Clerk

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 27, 1977

Minutes of a Special Town Meeting held at the Old Saybrook Senior High School September 27, 1977, at 8:00 P.M. with approximately 120 interested citizens present.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Barbara J. Maynard, who then called for nominations for Moderator. Robert Walsh was unanimously chosen as Moderator. The Moderator then requested Town Clerk Charles L. Doherty, Jr. to read the legal call of the meeting. The call was read and voted to be the legal call of the meeting.

Item No. 1 To appropriate a sum not to exceed \$13,000.00 for the Old Saybrook High School Building Committee for the purpose of retaining the services of Herb Noyes Associates, Inc., architects, with regard to a study for the expansion of Industrial Arts facilities at the Old Saybrook Senior High School, said funds to be taken from and paid out of the Contingency Fund.

Mr. Robert Fish, Chairman of the Building Committee for the expansion of Industrial Arts facilities along with Mr. William Martin,

Supt. of Schools and Philip Rosenthal, Chairman of the Board of Education answered many questions from the floor and explained the alleged need for this expansion.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to approve this item. (By hand vote, approximately 3 to 1 in favor)

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

C. L. DOHERTY, JR.,  
Town Clerk

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 4, 1977

Minutes of a Special Town Meeting held at the Junior High School on November 4, 1977, at 8:00 P.M. with approximately 4 interested citizens present.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Barbara Maynard who then called for nominations for Moderator. Linnie Barnes was unanimously chosen as Moderator. The Moderator then requested Clerk Pro Tem, Albert Carlson, to read the legal call of the meeting. The call was read and voted to be the legal call of the meeting.

Item No. 1 To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing materials for the repair of the Schoolhouse Road Railroad Bridge, said funds to be taken from and paid out of the Anti-Recession Fund Account.

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to approve this item.

Item No. 2 To accept from the State of Connecticut, for highway purposes only, a conveyance of the following described three parcels of land:

- a) Parcel consisting of .01 acres, more or less, on the southerly side of Route No. 1, at its intersection with Boston Post Road.
- b) A certain parcel of land consisting of .11 acres, more or less, consisting of a portion of Mill Rock Road, extending southerly from its intersection with U.S. Route No. 1.
- c) A certain parcel of land consisting of .48 acres and being a portion of Ford Drive, extending northerly from its intersection with River Street.

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to accept the above-mentioned three parcels of land.

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

ALBERT CARLSON,  
Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

November 28, 1977

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in Town Meetings of the Town of Old Saybrook held at the Old Saybrook Senior High School, Boston Post Road, in said Town on Monday, November 28, 1977 at 8:00 P.M. with approximately 80 interested citizens and members of the press present.

First Selectwoman, Barbara Maynard called the meeting to order and then called for nomination for moderator. Mr. James Reardon was unanimously chosen as moderator.

The moderator then requested Town Clerk, Charles L. Doherty, Jr. to read the legal call of the meeting. The legal call was read and voted to be the legal call of the meeting.

Item No. 1 To receive and act upon the reports of town officials as printed in the Annual Report.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to accept this item.

Item No. 2 To elect three (3) members for the Waterfront Commission, each for the term of two (2) years.

Mr. Donald Van Epps, Chairman of the Republican Town Committee, nominated incumbents, Howard Richardson and David Squires. Mr. David Royston, Chairman of the Democratic Town Committee nominated Patrick Barry.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the above mentioned incumbents were unanimously re-elected as there were no further nominations from the floor.



Item No. 3 To elect three (3) members for the Park and Recreation Commission, each for the term of four (4) years.

Mr. Donald Van Epps nominated incumbent Dr. Milton Clark and Mr. David Royston nominated incumbent William J. Kavanagh and Mrs. Lourdes Sheehan.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the above mentioned candidates were unanimously elected as there were no further nominations from the floor.

Item No. 4 To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the purpose of reconstruction and repair of the bridge over the railroad at Schoolhouse Road, said sum to be taken from and paid out of the Antirecession Fund, with the balance to be taken from and paid out of the Capitol Outlay Account.

Mrs. Maynard, First Selectwoman, arose and explained the necessity for this appropriation. Many questions were asked by citizens present and answered by Mrs. Maynard.

On a motion duly made and seconded, this item was accepted by a large majority of those present.

The First Selectwoman at this point, thanked the Old Saybrook Volunteer Fire Department, Police Department and Volunteer Ambulance Association for their fine work, civic devotion and dedicated service to the Town of Old Saybrook.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

C. L. DOHERTY, JR.,  
Clerk

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 15, 1977

Minutes of a Special Town Meeting held at the Senior High School on December 15, 1977 at 8:00 P.M. with approximately 170 interested citizens present.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Barbara Maynard who then called for nomination of a moderator. William Tucker was unanimously chosen as moderator. The moderator then

requested Town Clerk, Charles L. Doherty, Jr. to read the legal call of the meeting. The call was read and voted to be the legal call of the meeting for the following purpose.

Under the authority of the provisions of Section 30-91 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, as amended, to adopt or reject the resolution hereinafter set forth in accordance with the petition filed with the Board of Selectmen by more than 20 electors of the Town of Old Saybrook on December 2, 1977.

“Resolved: Sale and dispensing and the consumption and the presence in glasses and other receptacles suitable to permit the consumption of liquor by an individual of alcoholic liquor in places operating under hotel permits, restaurant permits, cafe permits, club permits, tavern permits and/or nightclub permits shall be unlawful after the following hours on the following days:

Tuesday through Friday: after 1 A.M.;

Saturday and Sunday: after 2 A.M.;

Sunday: before 12 Noon or after 11 P.M.”

Under the provisions of said statute, the above ordinance, (if adopted,) would become effective on January 1, 1978 (and after due publication made).

At this point, Attorney James Reardon asked to be recognized and was given the floor by the moderator. Mr. Reardon spoke at some length favoring the above ordinance.

Attorney James Graham also spoke at length against the passing of this ordinance.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted by a show of hands, 101 to 22 to move the question.

A motion had been made to vote by secret ballot, the result of this vote was as follows:

84 voted in favor

59 voted against

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

C. L. DOHERTY, JR.,  
Town Clerk

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 4, 1978

Minutes of a Special Town Meeting held at the Senior High School on January 4, 1978 at 8:00 P.M. with approximately 75 interested citizens present.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Barbara Maynard who then called for nomination of a moderator. Richard O'Connell was unanimously chosen as moderator. The moderator then requested Town Clerk, Charles L. Doherty, Jr. to read the legal call of the meeting. The call was read and voted to be the legal call of the meeting.

The Town Clerk at this time also attested to the fact that he had on January 3, 1978 certified 223 names on petitions calling for a referendum on the above mentioned item.

At this point the moderator recognized Mr. Fish, Chairman of the High School Building Commission. Mr. Fish explained the need and other pertinent information on the proposed new addition to the High School. Also in order, Mr. Thurman Fribance and architect, Herb Noyes spoke at length on the proposed new building. Slides and graphs were presented to the audience. A lively question and answer period followed.

The following motion was then made by First Selectwoman Maynard:

I move to adjourn this meeting to the required referendum vote on this issue, to be held on Tuesday, January 17th at the Old Saybrook Firehouse between the hours of 12 noon to 8 P.M. The question being phrased so a simple yea or no vote will be required. Those being allowed to vote being registered voters of the Town of Old Saybrook and property owners with an assessment of not less than one thousand dollars on the last grand list as prescribed in Sec. 7-6 of the Connecticut State Statutes.

The motion was duly seconded.

C. L. DOHERTY, JR.,  
Town Clerk

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk



## MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 5, 1978

Minutes of a Special Town Meeting held at the Old Saybrook Senior High School, on April 5, 1978 at 8:00 P.M., with approximately 150 interested citizens present.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Barbara Maynard who then called for nomination of a moderator. Rexford McCall was unanimously chosen as moderator. The moderator then requested Town Clerk, Charles L. Doherty, Jr. to read the legal call of the meeting. The call was read, and voted to be the legal call of the meeting.

1. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$540,000.00 for the Old Saybrook High School Building Committee for the purpose of constructing an addition (with appurtenances) to the Old Saybrook High School, said funds to be borrowed by the Town of Old Saybrook by a method to be determined at a later date.

The Town Clerk at this time attested to the moderator that he had on April 4th, 1978, certified 227 names on petitions calling for a referendum.

At this point, the moderator recognized Mr. Robert Fish, Chairman of the High School Building Committee. Mr. Fish, along with Mr. Martin, Superintendent of Schools, and others, explained the need and other pertinent information on the proposed new addition to the High School. Slides and graphs were presented to the audience. A lively question and answer period followed.

The following motion duly seconded, was made from the floor. "I move to adjourn this item to the required referendum vote, to be held on Thursday, April 13, 1978, at the Old Saybrook Fire House between the hours of 6:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. The question being phrased so a simple yes or no vote will be required. Those being allowed to vote being registered voters of the Town of Old Saybrook, and property owners with an assessment of not less than one-thousand dollars on the last grand list as prescribed in Sec. 7-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes."

2. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$40,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Budget (said monies to be transferred from and paid out of the Surplus Account.)

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to ACCEPT this item.

3. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$4,600.00 for the purpose of purchasing a bookkeeping machine for the Old Saybrook Tax Collector's Office, said funds to be transferred from and paid out of the Contingency Fund. On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to ACCEPT this item.

4. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$5,033.03 to be added to the CMS-Blue Cross Account, said monies to be transferred from and paid out of the Contingency Fund.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to ACCEPT this item.

5. To repeal Town of Old Saybrook Ordinance No. 47 entitled "An Ordinance Relating to Comprehensive Municipal Pension Program" and to adopt and substitute the following therefore as a new Ordinance No. 47:

"Be it resolved that the Town of Old Saybrook adopt a comprehensive pension program entitled "Town of Old Saybrook Retirement Plan—Revised Plan 4-13-67, as amended 4-17-69; 5-15-69; 10-30-69; 2-23-72 and 1-12-78", the draft of which plan, together with amendments thereto, are on file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Old Saybrook.

A motion was made from the floor and duly seconded to table this item. On a voice vote, this motion was overwhelmingly defeated.

On a motion duly made and seconded this item was ACCEPTED.

6. To authorize the conveyance by the Town of Old Saybrook, acting through its Board of Selectmen, of a .052 acre parcel of land from it to the Estate of George L. Wright, Sr. for no consideration. Said premises are shown on a map entitled "Property of Estate of George L. Wright Old Saybrook, Conn. Scale 1" = 40' July 21, 1977", a copy of which is on file at the Old Saybrook Town Clerk's Office. The purpose of said proposed conveyance is to straighten the easterly highway line of Old Middlesex Turnpike near its intersection with the Connecticut Turnpike.

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to ACCEPT this item.

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

C. L. DOHERTY, JR.,  
Town Clerk

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk

## **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

May 16, 1978

Minutes of the Annual Budget Meeting and Special Town Meeting held in the Old Saybrook Senior High School May 16, 1978, at 8:00 P.M. with approximately 70 interested citizens present.

The meeting was called to order by Selectmen Matthaw Hoey, replacing First Selectwoman Barbara Maynard, who could not attend due to illness.

Mr. Hoey called for nominations for a Moderator. Mr. Rexford McCall was unanimously chosen as Moderator.

The Moderator then requested Town Clerk, Charles L. Doherty, Jr. to read the Legal Call of the meeting.

The Call was read and noted to be the Legal Call of the meeting.

Item No. 1. To adopt the Annual Budget for the Town of Old Saybrook for the fiscal year July 1, 1978 through June 30, 1979 as recommended by the Board of Finance, in the amount of \$6,307,503.67 and to make appropriations for the schools, highways, bridges, sidewalks, library, cemeteries, fire protection, police department and all other necessary objects and purposes, and to fix the compensation of Town officials. Included in the above said total budget figure is the sum of \$84,995.07 which is recommended by the Board of Finance to be taken from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund for the following purposes:

a) Re-evaluation of Town property for tax assessment purposes—\$40,000.00

b) New police vehicles, including outfitting of the same—\$13,250.00

c) Payment to Avy B. Smith and Marguerite M. Morris for the purchase of land at Route No. 154, Old Saybrook, Connecticut—\$31,745.07 (said amount being the third installment of principal and interest on a four-year Promissory Note executed by the Town in conjunction with said purchase).

The present total unexpended sum of the Federal Revenue Sharing Account is \$149,629.16. The anticipated Federal Revenue Sharing receipts for the 1978-1979 tenth entitlement period are \$157,671.00. The Old Saybrook Federal Revenue Sharing Budget may be inspected at the Office of the Board of Selectmen in the Old



Saybrook Town Hall, Main Street, Old Saybrook, Connecticut. Voters and taxpayers shall have the right to comment regarding this budget at the Annual Budget Meeting.

The Moderator then proceeded to go through the itemized budget, Total line item by Total line item, pausing for questions from those citizens present.

Very few questions were raised. Those that were being answered by Mr. Viggiano, Chairman of the Board of Finance, Mr. Martin, Superintendent of Old Saybrook School, and Selectman Hoey.

This item was accepted by a unanimous "YEA" vote.

The Budget was accepted as follows:

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT:**

**SELECTMEN:**

Total .....	\$ 61,494.18
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**TAX COLLECTOR:**

Total .....	29,249.00
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**TREASURER:**

Total .....	4,940.00
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**TOWN CLERK:**

Total .....	21,547.00
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**VITAL STATISTICS:**

Total .....	930.00
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**ASSESSOR:**

Total .....	72,616.00
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**PROBATE COURT:**

Total .....	1,661.75
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**TOWN HALL:**

Total .....	25,694.00
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**REGISTRARS OF VOTERS:**

Total .....	12,415.00
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**BUILDING DEPARTMENT:**

Total .....	24,105.00
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**ZONING DEPARTMENT:**

Total .....	15,848.75
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**ZONING COMMISSION:**

Total .....	5,887.67
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## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

Total .....	\$ 5,600.00
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## BOARD OF FINANCE:

Total .....	10,615.00
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## ENGINEERING EXPENSES:

Total .....	650.00
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## PLANNING COMMISSION:

Total .....	7,137.67
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## PENSION COMMISSION:

Total .....	67,800.00
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## BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE:

Total .....	175.00
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## CULTURAL COMMISSION:

Total .....	100.00
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## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

Total .....	11,960.00
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## FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Total .....	39,625.00
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## FIRE MARSHAL:

Total .....	6,320.00
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## OPEN BURNING OFFICER:

Total .....	500.00
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## TRAFFIC AND STREET LIGHTS:

Total .....	61,000.00
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## POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Total .....	448,593.00
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## DOG FUND ACCOUNT:

Fixed Charges .....	8,260.00
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## INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION:

Total .....	5,000.00
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## CIVIL PREPAREDNESS:

Total .....	4,575.40
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## INSURANCE:

Fixed Charges .....	40,000.00
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## WATER SYSTEM:

Contractual .....	78,000.00
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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH:

Total ..... \$ 25,087.00

WELFARE SERVICES:

Total ..... 14,000.00

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING BOARD:

Total ..... 70,539.00

LIQUID WASTE DISPOSAL:

Total ..... 7,740.00

RUBBISH COLLECTION:

Contractual ..... 1,000.00

REFUSE DISPOSAL:

Contractual ..... 100,000.00

MOSQUITO CONTROL:

Total ..... 6,700.00

YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES:

Total ..... 32,195.96

ACTON PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Total ..... 83,000.00

CYPRESS CEMETERY:

Total ..... 1,324.00

UPPER CEMETERY:

Contractual ..... 1,450.00

HIGHWAYS:

Total ..... 271,407.22

RIVER PATROL:

Total ..... 8,310.00

WATERFRONT COMMISSION:

Total ..... 11,412.00

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Total ..... 100,160.00

PAYMENT TO OTHER POLITICAL  
SUBDIVISIONS:

Fixed Charges ..... 60,284.00

BOROUGH OF FENWICK:

Fixed Charges ..... 1,500.00



## CONTINGENCY FUND:

Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 50,000.00
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## LEGAL EXPENSES:

Expenses and Supplies .....	10,000.00
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## UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES:

Expenses and Supplies .....	4,000.00
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## BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD:

Fixed Charges .....	60,000.00
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## MEMORIAL DAY EXPENSES:

Expenses and Supplies .....	960.00
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## DEBT AND INTEREST:

Total .....	31,745.07
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## CAPITAL OUTLAY SINKING FUND:

Capital Outlay .....	<u>60,000.00</u>
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TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT .....	\$2,101,413.67
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TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND DEBT AND INTEREST FOR EDUCATION: ..	<u>\$2,269,428.67</u>
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## BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Total .....	\$4,000,000.00
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BOARD OF EDUCATION CAPITAL OUTLAY:	38,075.00
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TOTAL BOARD OF EDUCATION OPERATIONAL AND CAPITAL OUTLAY: .....	<u>\$4,038,075.00</u>
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GRAND TOTAL—GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND EDUCATION .....	<u>\$6,307,503.67</u>
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NOTE: Estimated sum of \$5,600.00 from Anti-Recession Funds will be to maintain current services and cost of living increases included above.

# ESTIMATED RECEIPTS 1978-1979



PROPERTY TAX 74.6%

STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES 19.4%

OTHER LOCAL REVENUES 3.4%

CASH AVAILABLE 1.9%

INTEREST AND LIEN FEES .7%

Property Tax  
State and Federal Agencies  
Other Local Revenues  
Cash Available  
Interest and Lien Fees

\$4,705,327.00  
1,220,251.07  
216,010.00  
120,915.60  
45,000.00

\$6,307,503.67

## BUDGET 1978-1979



EDUCATION 66.7%

POLICE 7.1%

HIGHWAYS 4.3%

PARKS AND RECREATION 1.6%

LIBRARY 1.3%

OTHER 19.0%

Education  
Police  
Highways  
Parks and Recreation  
Library  
Other

\$4,206,090.00  
448,593.00  
271,407.22  
100,160.00  
83,000.00  
1,198,253.45

\$6,307,503.67

Item No. 2. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$5,500.00 for the purpose of purchasing a tractor and equipment for the Park and Recreation Department, said funds to be taken from the Contingency Account No. 282-30.

This Item was accepted by a unanimous "YEA" vote.

Item No. 3. To authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to pay the appropriations of the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 1978 to June 30, 1979, until sufficient tax revenues are received by the Town of Old Saybrook.

BARBARA J. MAYNARD,  
First Selectman  
MATTHEW T. HOEY,  
Selectman  
PHILIP F. RANELLI,  
Selectman

This Item was accepted by a unanimous "YEA" vote.

At this point Selectman Hoey rose and asked those present to rise and publicly thank the Old Saybrook Volunteer Fire Department for their outstanding devotion and dedication to duty.

On a Motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to Adjourn.

C. L. DOHERTY, JR.,  
Town Clerk

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 13, 1978

Minutes of a Special Town Meeting held at the Old Saybrook Senior High School on June 13, 1978, at 8:00 P.M. with approximately 22 interested citizens present.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Barbara Maynard, who then called for nominations of a Moderator. William Fitzgerald was unanimously chosen as Moderator. The Moderator then requested Town Clerk, Charles L. Doherty, Jr. to read the legal call of the meeting. The call was read, and voted to be the legal call of the meeting.



1. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$18,091.00 to be applied and added to the 1977-1978 Board of Education budget; said funds to be taken from and paid out of the Surplus Account.

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to accept this item.

2. To adopt an ordinance entitled "Flood Plain Management Ordinance for the town of Old Saybrook, Connecticut", copies of said proposed ordinance being on file at the office of the Town Clerk, Old Saybrook, Connecticut.

Mr. Robert Bryan, of Robert S. Bryan & Associates, Planning Consultant, was asked by the Moderator to explain this Ordinance.

Mr. James Crowley of the Crowley Real Estate Agency, asked many questions and then made a motion to table this item. This motion was duly seconded. The motion was as follows: To table, and direct the Town of Old Saybrook to employ a Consulting Engineer to study and report back to the Town how this Ordinance would effect construction in Old Saybrook.

Mrs. Maynard, and Mr. Michael Cronin, Town Attorney, at this point, pointed out the urgency and time element of this Ordinance.

The Moderator called for a vote by hand on the motion to table. This motion was DEFEATED by a 15 to 7 vote.

A motion was then made to move the question, and again by a hand vote.

16 to 6, this item was ACCEPTED.

On a motion duly made, and seconded, it was unanimously voted to adjourn.

C. L. DOHERTY, JR.,  
Town Clerk

ATTEST: C. L. DOHERTY, JR.  
Town Clerk

**AUDITOR'S REPORT****BLUM, GAVENS & KAPLAN, P.C.***Certified Public Accountants*

Board of Finance  
Town of Old Saybrook  
Old Saybrook, Connecticut

We have examined the financial statements of the various Funds of the Town of Old Saybrook for the year ended June 30, 1978, listed in the foregoing Table of Contents. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The Town of Old Saybrook has not maintained a record of its general fixed assets and accordingly a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial report.

In our opinion, the financial statements listed in the aforementioned Table of Contents present fairly the financial position of such Funds of the Town of Old Saybrook at June 30, 1978, and the results of operations of such Funds for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The accompanying supplemental information is not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements, but is presented as additional analytical data on pages 29-32. The supplemental information has been subjected to the tests and other auditing procedures applied in the examination of the financial statements listed in the foregoing Table of Contents and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

**BLUM, GAVENS & KAPLAN, P.C.***Certified Public Accountants*

September 6, 1978

COMBINED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET—ALL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 1978

ASSETS

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Fund	Trust and Agency Funds	General Long-Term Debt
Cash .....	\$ 85,471.44	\$159,552.02	—	\$47,473.77	—
Temporary Cash Investments, at Cost which Approximates Market .....	250,000.00	150,000.00	—	—	—
Cash—Tax Collector .....	387,691.40	—	—	—	—
Taxes Receivable—Delinquent .....	341,401.23	—	—	—	—
Accounts Receivable:					
U.S. Government .....	—	43,202.00	—	—	—
State of Connecticut .....	—	13,782.00	—	—	\$122,337.05
Other .....	40,730.72	4,440.12	\$ 3,991.65	—	—
Due from Other Funds .....	—	—	54,580.24	—	—
Inventory, at Cost .....	—	3,896.81	—	—	—
Construction in Progress .....	—	—	170,419.76	—	—
Amount to be Raised by Future Taxation .....	—	—	—	—	420,662.95

TOTAL ASSETS

	\$1,105,294.79	\$374,872.95	\$228,991.65	\$47,473.77	\$543,000.00
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LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BLAANCES

Accounts Payable.....	\$ 26,445.81	\$ 16,995.53	—	\$ 3,028.43	—
Due to Other Funds .....	—	54,580.24	—	447.12	—
Serial Bonds Payable.....	—	—	—	—	\$543,000.00
Reserve for Property Taxes Collected in Advance .....	387,691.40	—	—	—	—
Reserve for Construction in Progress .....	—	—	\$170,419.76	—	—
Fund Balances:					
Appropriated.....	\$ 462,316.83	303,297.18	58,571.89	—	—
Unappropriated .....	228,840.75	—	—	43,998.22	—

TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES

AND FUND BALANCES .....	\$1,105,294.79	\$374,872.95	\$228,991.65	\$47,473.77	\$543,000.00
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**GENERAL FUND  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1978**

**ASSETS**

Cash .....	\$ 85,471.44
Cash—Tax Collector .....	387,691.40
Accounts Receivable .....	40,730.72
Short-Term Investments .....	250,000.00
Uncollected Property Taxes .....	341,401.23
<b>Total Assets .....</b>	<b><u>\$1,105,294.79</u></b>

**LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE**

Accounts Payable .....	\$ 26,193.78
Exchanges .....	252.03
Reserve for Property Taxes Collected in Advance .....	387,691.40
<b>Fund Balance:</b>	
Appropriated for Uncollected Property Taxes .....	\$341,401.23
Appropriated for 1978-1979 Budget Year .....	120,915.60
Unappropriated Fund Balance .....	228,840.75
	<u>\$ 691,157.58</u>
<b>Total Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance</b>	<b><u>\$1,105,294.79</u></b>

**GENERAL FUND  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1978**

	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
<b>Tax Collector:</b>			
Property Taxes .....	\$4,494,738.65	\$4,485,584.21	\$ (9,154.44)
Interest and Lien Fees .....	30,000.00	63,052.65	33,052.65
Reduction of Uncollected Property Taxes .....	—	(4,253.04)	(4,253.04)
	<u>\$4,524,738.65</u>	<u>\$4,544,383.82</u>	<u>\$ 19,645.17</u>
<b>State and Federal:</b>			
State Board of Education ...	\$ 687,095.00	\$ 697,192.50	\$ 10,097.50
School Construction Grants .	31,793.00	31,793.51	.51
Town Aid Road Fund .....	79,365.00	38,964.18	(40,400.82)
Welfare Reimbursements ....	10,000.00	9,118.92	(881.08)
Circuit Court .....	3,000.00	4,941.50	1,941.50
Boating Safety .....	4,000.00	4,311.63	311.63

	<i>Budget</i> <i>As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess</i> <i>of Budget</i> <i>Over- Under</i> <i>Actual</i>
Grant in Lieu of Taxes . . . . .	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,748.41	\$ (251.59)
Library Grant . . . . .	1,200.00	1,200.00	—
Urban Problems Grant . . . . .	2,454.00	4,024.00	1,570.00
Elderly Property Tax Relief . . . . .	74,000.00	82,210.92	8,210.92
Reimbursement for:			
Retail Inventories . . . . .	47,100.00	47,857.08	757.08
Manufacturers' Inventories . . . . .	40,100.00	44,551.90	4,451.90
State-Federal Revenue Sharing . . . . .	16,835.00	16,835.38	.38
Anti-Recession Funds . . . . .	52,622.00	52,622.00	—
Elm Street Project . . . . .	—	77,000.00	77,000.00
Federal Disaster Grant . . . . .	9,452.19	9,452.19	—
Connecticut Justice Comm. . . . .	4,071.13	4,071.13	—
Open Space Grant . . . . .	—	27,584.46	27,584.46
Miscellaneous Grants . . . . .	2,400.00	2,400.00	—
	<u>\$1,067,487.32</u>	<u>\$1,157,879.71</u>	<u>\$ 90,392.39</u>

**Local Revenues:**

Nursing Board . . . . .	\$ 44,000.00	\$ 49,869.89	\$ 5,968.89
Tuition . . . . .	1,900.00	2,000.00	100.00
Interest on Temporary Invest. . . . .	50,000.00	63,398.49	13,398.49
Miscellaneous . . . . .	3,000.00	1,680.64	(1,319.36)
Telephone . . . . .	350.00	277.31	(72.69)
Rentals . . . . .	400.00	742.83	342.83
Welfare Reimbursements . . . . .	100.00	134.00	34.00
Capital Outlay Sinking Fund. . . . .	17,378.00	17,378.00	—
Permits and Fees:			
Inland Wetlands. . . . .	100.00	96.00	(4.00)
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1,500.00	4,827.08	3,327.08
Septic Waste Treatment . . . . .	4,000.00	3,665.00	(335.00)
Environmental Health . . . . .	3,000.00	3,101.00	101.00
Building Inspection . . . . .	21,000.00	25,845.00	4,845.00
Zoning Board . . . . .	3,500.00	3,415.23	(84.77)
Zoning Board of Appeals . . . . .	2,800.00	1,985.00	(815.00)
Planning Commission . . . . .	200.00	471.00	271.00
Mooring Fees . . . . .	16,500.00	15,365.00	(1,135.00)
Library Fines and Fees . . . . .	2,800.00	4,156.02	1,356.02
Conveyance Tax. . . . .	19,000.00	21,522.44	2,522.44
Police Department:			
Traffic Fines . . . . .	1,800.00	2,841.00	1,041.00
Miscellaneous Fees. . . . .	2,000.00	1,779.54	(220.46)
Self-Funding—Extra Duty . . . . .	10,000.00	4,215.69	(5,784.31)

	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>Park and Recreation:</b>			
Self-Funding Programs . . .	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 15,515.70	\$ 15.70
Beach Passes . . . . .	1,500.00	1,155.00	(345.00)
Conn. Light and Power Refund	—	13,983.82	13,983.82
Bicentennial Committee . . .	—	1,062.20	1,062.20
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	\$ 222,328.00	\$ 260,581.88	\$ 38,253.88
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<b>Total Revenues . . .</b>	<b>\$5,814,553.97</b>	<b>\$5,962,845.41</b>	<b>\$148,291.44</b>
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<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>			
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
<b>Selectmen:</b>			
Personal Services . . . . .	\$ 49,159.40	\$ 49,043.72	\$ 115.68
Expenses and Supplies . . . .	5,235.27	5,235.27	—
Contractual . . . . .	114.00	114.00	—
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	\$ 54,508.67	\$ 54,392.99	\$ 115.68
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<b>Tax Collector:</b>			
Personnel Services . . . . .	\$ 19,109.81	\$ 18,642.39	\$ 467.42
Fixed Charges . . . . .	1,564.00	1,564.00	—
Expenses and Supplies . . . .	4,112.52	4,112.52	—
Contractual . . . . .	3,569.00	3,569.00	—
Capital Outlay . . . . .	4,600.00	4,557.25	42.75
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	\$ 32,955.33	\$ 32,445.16	\$ 510.17
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<b>Treasurer:</b>			
Personnel Services . . . . .	\$ 4,480.00	\$ 4,480.00	—
Expenses and Supplies . . . .	200.00	200.00	—
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	\$ 4,680.00	\$ 4,680.00	\$ —
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<b>Town Clerk:</b>			
Personnel Services . . . . .	\$ 11,661.00	\$ 11,551.93	\$ 109.07
Fixed Charges . . . . .	2,806.00	2,804.25	1.75
Expenses and Supplies . . . .	2,400.00	2,394.87	5.13
Contractual . . . . .	3,500.00	3,498.98	1.02
Capital Outlay . . . . .	585.00	585.00	—
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	\$ 20,952.00	\$ 20,835.03	\$ 116.97
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<b>Vital Statistics:</b>			
Fixed Charges . . . . .	\$ 500.00	\$ 385.85	\$ 114.15
Expenses and Supplies . . . .	390.00	369.80	20.20
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	\$ 890.00	\$ 755.65	\$ 134.35
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	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>Assessor:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 22,214.00	\$ 22,137.56	\$ 76.44
Expenses and Supplies .....	5,265.00	3,722.45	1,542.55
Contractual .....	37,500.00	34,097.20	3,402.80
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	\$ 64,979.00	\$ 59,957.21	\$ 5,021.79
<b>Probate Court:</b>			
Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 1,615.75	\$ 1,601.39	\$ 14.36
Contractual .....	46.00	46.00	—
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	\$ 1,661.75	\$ 1,647.39	\$ 14.36
<b>Town Hall:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ —
Expenses and Supplies .....	16,603.85	16,602.54	1.31
Contractual .....	744.00	744.00	—
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	\$ 24,847.85	\$ 24,846.54	\$ 1.31
<b>Registrar of Voters:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 6,541.92	\$ 6,541.92	\$ —
Fixed Charges .....	142.50	142.50	—
Expenses and Supplies .....	2,821.44	2,821.44	—
Contractual .....	1,845.41	1,845.41	—
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	\$ 11,351.27	\$ 11,351.27	\$ —
<b>Building Department:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 19,900.00	\$ 19,300.00	\$ 600.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	2,811.00	2,712.28	98.72
Contractual .....	48.00	48.00	—
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	\$ 22,759.00	\$ 22,060.28	\$ 698.72
<b>Zoning Department:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 12,331.84	\$ 12,331.84	—
Expenses and Supplies .....	5,830.00	5,674.56	155.44
Contractual .....	60.00	52.00	8.00
Self-Funding .....	600.00	457.06	142.94
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	\$ 18,821.84	\$ 18,515.46	\$ 306.38

	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>Zoning Commission:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 1,922.33	\$ 1,922.33	\$ —
Expenses and Supplies .....	6,902.62	6,902.62	—
Contractual .....	679.98	679.98	—
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	\$ 9,504.93	\$ 9,504.93	\$ —
<b>Zoning Board of Appeals:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,058.00	\$ 642.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	3,900.00	3,702.47	197.53
Capital Outlay .....	200.00	200.00	—
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	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 4,960.47	\$ 839.53
<b>Board of Finance:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ —
Expenses and Supplies .....	5,186.81	5,186.81	—
Contractual .....	5,325.00	5,325.00	—
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	\$ 11,011.81	\$ 11,011.81	\$ —
<b>Engineering:</b>			
Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,996.70	\$ 3.30
<b>Board of Tax Review:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	—
Expenses and Supplies .....	50.00	15.52	\$ 34.48
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	\$ 550.00	\$ 515.52	\$ 34.48
<b>Planning Commission:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 1,922.33	\$ 1,922.33	—
Expenses and Supplies .....	3,500.00	2,428.87	\$ 1,071.13
Capital Outlay .....	458.00	458.00	—
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	\$ 5,880.33	\$ 4,809.20	\$ 1,071.13
<b>Pension Commission:</b>			
Fixed Charges .....	\$ 47,000.00	\$ 45,437.82	\$ 1,562.18
Expenses and Supplies .....	100.00	—	100.00
Contractual .....	700.00	700.00	—
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	\$ 47,800.00	\$ 46,137.82	\$ 1,662.18
<b>Beautification Committee:</b>			
Contractual .....	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,498.00	\$ 2.00
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	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>Conservation Commission:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 75.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 67.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	225.00	145.19	79.81
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	\$ 300.00	\$ 153.19	\$ 146.81
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<b>Cultural Commission:</b>			
Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 100.00	\$ —	\$ 100.00
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<b>Economic Development Comm.:</b>			
Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 1,710.00	\$ 1,700.23	\$ 9.77
Contractual .....	7,800.00	7,800.00	—
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	\$ 9,510.00	\$ 9,500.23	\$ 9.77
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<b>Fire Company:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 250.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	21,824.92	21,762.77	62.15
Contractual .....	1,350.00	1,312.81	37.19
Capital Outlay .....	10,250.08	10,250.08	—
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	\$ 37,475.00	\$ 37,125.66	\$ 349.34
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<b>Fire Marshal:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ —
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<b>Open Burning Officer:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ —
Expenses and Supplies .....	200.00	200.00	—
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	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ —
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<b>Traffic and Street Lights:</b>			
Contractual .....	\$ 59,500.00	\$ 57,682.53	\$ 1,817.47
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<b>Police Department:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 328,838.88	\$ 328,805.88	\$ 33.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	62,900.00	62,432.63	467.37
Contractual .....	6,000.00	5,923.04	76.96
Capital Outlay .....	6,200.00	5,995.00	205.00
Self-Funding .....	10,000.00	4,428.87	5,571.13
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	\$ 413,938.88	\$ 407,585.42	\$ 6,353.46
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<b>Dog Fund Account:</b>			
Fixed Charges .....	\$ 10,596.00	\$ 10,596.00	\$ —
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	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>Inland Wetlands Comm.:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 3,610.00	\$ 3,610.00	—
Expenses and Supplies .....	2,090.00	834.26	\$ 1,255.74
	<u>\$ 5,700.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,444.26</u>	<u>\$ 1,255.74</u>
<b>Civil Preparedness:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ —
Expenses and Supplies .....	996.93	996.93	—
Contractual .....	707.78	707.78	—
Capital Outlay .....	780.58	780.58	—
	<u>\$ 3,985.29</u>	<u>\$ 3,985.29</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
<b>Insurance:</b>			
Fixed Charges .....	\$ 37,025.03	\$ 37,025.03	\$ —
<b>Water Systems:</b>			
Contractual .....	\$ 75,261.81	\$ 75,261.81	\$ —
<b>Environmental Health:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 20,079.65	\$ 20,079.65	\$ —
Expenses and Supplies .....	3,419.00	3,419.00	—
Capital Outlay .....	124.13	124.13	—
	<u>\$ 23,622.78</u>	<u>\$ 23,622.78</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
<b>Welfare Services:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 2,362.00	\$ 2,362.00	—
Expenses and Supplies .....	10,500.00	10,488.98	\$ 11.02
	<u>\$ 12,862.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,850.98</u>	<u>\$ 11.02</u>
<b>Public Health Nursing Service:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 66,367.13	\$ 64,974.12	\$ 1,393.01
Fixed Charges .....	6,625.00	6,425.00	200.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	14,435.00	13,730.02	704.98
Self-Funding .....	27,000.00	22,640.29	4,359.71
	<u>\$ 114,427.13</u>	<u>\$ 107,769.43</u>	<u>\$ 6,657.70</u>
<b>Liquid Waste Disposal:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 2,340.00	\$ 1,995.00	\$ 345.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	160.00	157.45	2.55
Contractual .....	4,800.00	4,800.00	—
	<u>\$ 7,300.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,952.45</u>	<u>\$ 347.55</u>

	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>Rubbish Collection:</b>			
Contractual .....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 940.00	\$ 60.00
<b>Refuse Disposal:</b>			
Contractual .....	\$ 103,950.00	\$ 103,950.00	\$ —
<b>Mosquito Control:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 4,100.00	\$ 3,906.00	\$ 194.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	1,700.00	1,684.01	15.99
Capital Outlay .....	200.00	163.05	36.95
	<u>\$ 6,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,753.06</u>	<u>\$ 246.94</u>
<b>Youth Services Commission:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 14,585.00	\$ 14,575.00	\$ 10.00
Expenses and Supplies .....	3,809.00	3,804.51	4.49
Contractual .....	6,321.00	6,049.60	271.40
	<u>\$ 24,715.00</u>	<u>\$ 24,429.11</u>	<u>\$ 285.89</u>
<b>Acton Public Library:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 47,825.85	\$ 47,801.84	\$ 24.01
Expenses and Supplies .....	25,290.00	25,288.85	1.15
Contractual .....	120.00	120.00	—
	<u>\$ 73,235.85</u>	<u>\$ 73,210.69</u>	<u>\$ 25.16</u>
<b>Cypress Cemetery:</b>			
Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 1,174.00	\$ 1,174.00	\$ —
<b>Upper Cemetery:</b>			
Contractual .....	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 1,450.00	—
<b>Highways:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 86,659.60	\$ 82,568.75	\$ 4,090.85
Expenses and Supplies .....	207,317.19	166,308.09	41,009.10
	<u>\$ 293,976.79</u>	<u>\$ 248,876.84</u>	<u>\$ 45,099.95</u>
<b>River Patrol:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 4,932.25	\$ 4,932.25	—
Expenses and Supplies .....	2,583.12	2,583.12	—
	<u>\$ 7,515.37</u>	<u>\$ 7,515.37</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>Waterfront Commission:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 5,028.00	\$ 4,866.52	\$ 161.48
Expenses and Supplies .....	3,890.00	1,569.45	2,320.55
Contractual .....	1,500.00	975.00	525.00
Self-Funding .....	750.00	465.00	285.00
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	\$ 11,168.00	\$ 7,875.97	\$ 3,292.03
<b>Parks and Recreation:</b>			
Personnel Services .....	\$ 64,250.00	\$ 62,987.55	\$ 1,262.45
Expenses and Supplies .....	15,000.00	14,993.28	6.72
Contractual .....	525.00	472.65	52.35
Capital Outlay .....	12,435.00	12,409.77	25.23
Self-Funding .....	13,450.00	13,434.84	15.16
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	\$ 105,660.00	\$ 104,298.09	\$ 1,361.91
<b>Payments to Other Political Subdivisions:</b>			
Fixed Charges .....	\$ 57,264.82	\$ 57,264.82	\$ —
<b>Borough of Fenwick:</b>			
Fixed Charges .....	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ —
<b>Legal Expenses:</b>			
Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,974.52	\$ 25.48
<b>Unclassified Expenses:</b>			
Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 5,846.44	\$ 5,846.44	\$ —
<b>C.M.S.—Blue Cross:</b>			
Fixed Charges .....	\$ 50,083.70	\$ 50,083.70	\$ —
<b>Memorial Day:</b>			
Expenses and Supplies .....	\$ 960.00	\$ 960.00	\$ —
<b>Payment of Debt and Interest:</b>			
Fixed Charges .....	\$ 10,175.00	\$ 10,175.00	\$ —
<b>Capital Outlay Sinking Fund:</b>			
Capital Outlay .....	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ —
<b>Construction Fund</b> .....			
	\$ 93,000.00	\$ 93,000.00	\$ —
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			
<b>—TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b> ..	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$2,088,732.67	\$2,010,754.10	\$ 77,978.57



	<i>Budget As Amended</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over- Under Actual</i>
<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION:</b>			
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Instruction .....	\$2,173,150.59	\$2,173,149.71	\$ .88
Pupil Support Services .....	266,943.56	266,943.56	—
Institution Staff Support Ser. ....	105,746.43	105,746.43	—
General Administration .....	137,816.28	137,816.28	—
Principals' Office Services .....	232,324.39	232,324.39	—
Business Services .....	639,851.46	639,851.46	—
Other Supporting Services ...	65,441.30	65,441.30	—
Non-Programmed Charges ..	90,965.93	90,965.93	—
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	\$3,712,239.94	\$3,712,239.06	\$ .88
Payment of Debt and			
Interest for Education .....	\$ 173,775.00	\$ 173,775.00	\$ —
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<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION—</b>			
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES ...</b>	<b>\$3,886,014.94</b>	<b>\$3,886,014.06</b>	<b>\$ .88</b>
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<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES ...</b>	<b>\$5,974,747.61</b>	<b>\$5,896,768.16</b>	<b>\$ 77,979.45</b>
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<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES</b>			
<b>OVER EXPENDITURES ....</b>	<b>\$ (160,193.64)</b>	<b>\$ 66,077.25</b>	<b>\$226,270.89</b>
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**GENERAL FUND  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1978**

	<i>Appro- priated For Uncollected Property Taxes</i>	<i>Appro- priated To Subsequent Years Budget</i>	<i>Unappro- priated Fund Balance</i>	<i>Total</i>
<b>Fund Balance,</b>				
<b>July 1, 1977 .....</b>	<b>\$345,654.27</b>	<b>\$103,368.87</b>	<b>\$176,057.19</b>	<b>\$625,080.33</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues</b>				
<b>Over Expenditures ..</b>	—	—	66,077.25	66,077.25
<b>Transfers:</b>				
Decrease in Reserves for				
Uncollected Property				
Taxes .....	(4,253.04)	—	4,253.04	—
Increase in Amount				
Required for Subsequent				
Years Budget .....	—	17,546.73	(17,546.73)	—
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<b>Fund Balance,</b>				
<b>June 30, 1978 .....</b>	<b>\$341,401.23</b>	<b>\$120,915.60</b>	<b>\$228,840.75</b>	<b>\$691,157.58</b>
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**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1978**

	<i>Current Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Excess of Budget Over Actual</i>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Federal Revenue Sharing Allocations .	\$158,279.00	\$158,279.00	\$ —
Interest on Temporary Investments ..	3,570.00	3,570.00	—
<b>Total Revenues</b> .....	<b>\$161,849.00</b>	<b>\$161,849.00</b>	<b>\$ —</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Liquid Waste Treatment .....	\$ 474.02	\$ 144.12	\$ 329.90
Coulter Street Closing .....	163.00	163.00	—
Civil Preparedness—Generator .....	1,250.00	—	1,250.00
Waterfront Commission .....	462.90	—	462.90
Radio Base Station .....	1,927.00	1,927.00	—
Radio—Zoning Department .....	605.00	605.00	—
Radio—Building Department .....	981.00	981.00	—
Police Vehicles .....	13,500.00	12,702.19	797.81
Radios—Police Department .....	650.00	578.56	71.44
Radios—Environmental Health .....	880.00	873.62	6.38
Ferry Road Dock .....	3,500.00	—	3,500.00
Park and Recreation—Water Lines ...	1,600.00	—	1,600.00
Smith and Morris Property .....	31,745.07	31,745.07	—
Elgin Sweeper .....	24,200.00	24,200.00	—
<b>Total Expenditures</b> .....	<b>\$ 81,937.99</b>	<b>\$ 73,919.56</b>	<b>\$8,018.43</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures</b> .....	<b>\$ 79,911.01</b>	<b>\$ 87,929.44</b>	<b>\$ (8,018.43)</b>

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1978**

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Elm Street Water Project</i>	<i>Senior High School Addition</i>	<i>Town Garage and Animal Shelter</i>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Capital and Non-recurring				
Expenditures Fund . . . . .	\$225,000.00	—	—	\$225,000.00
General Fund . . . . .	13,000.00	—	\$13,000.00	—
Reimbursed Expenses . . . . .	4,778.15	786.50	—	3,991.65
<b>Total Revenues . . . . .</b>	<b>\$242,778.15</b>	<b>\$ 786.50</b>	<b>\$13,000.00</b>	<b>\$228,991.65</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Construction Costs . . . . .	\$269,940.53	\$86,520.77	\$13,000.00	\$170,419.76
Reimbursed to General Fund . . . . .	2,000.00	2,000.00	—	—
<b>Total Expenditures . . . . .</b>	<b>\$271,940.53</b>	<b>\$88,520.77</b>	<b>\$13,000.00</b>	<b>\$170,419.76</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures . . . . .</b>	<b>(29,162.38)</b>	<b>(87,734.27)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>58,571.89</b>
<b>Fund Balance, July 1, 1977 . . . . .</b>	<b>87,734.27</b>	<b>87,734.27</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Fund Balance, June 30, 1978</b>	<b>\$ 58,571.89</b>	<b>\$ —0—</b>	<b>\$ —0—</b>	<b>\$ 58,571.89</b>



## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 1978

## Note 1

**SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

The accounting policies of the Town of Old Saybrook conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units with the exception of the maintenance of a General Fixed Assets account.

**Fund Accounting**—The accounts of the Town of Old Saybrook are organized on the basis of funds or group of accounts, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts. The various funds are grouped by type in the financial statements.

**Basis of Accounting**—A modified accrual basis of accounting is followed by all funds. Revenues are recorded when received as cash, except for revenues susceptible to accrual, and material revenues that are not received at the normal time of receipt. Expenditures are recorded on an accrual basis, except for inventories, prepaid expenses and interest on long-term debt.

**Investments**—Investments are stated at cost.

**Fixed Assets Fund**—A Fixed Assets Fund is not maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

## Note 2

**EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLAN:**

The Town of Old Saybrook maintains a contributory retirement plan covering substantially all employees not covered under the State Teachers' Retirement Plan. It is the normal policy of the Town to fund current pension costs as incurred. The unfunded past service costs of the plan are \$274,900, and it is the Town's policy to fund these costs equally to the year 2001.

As of the latest valuation date, July 1, 1977, the total fund balance of \$342,900 exceeds the vested benefits of \$220,200.

## Note 3

**GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT:**

An analysis of general long-term debt is set forth in the supplemental information on page 30 of this report.

## Note 4

**CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:**

A tax assessment appeal has been taken on property assessed at \$995,880. The results of such appeal are at best uncertain and no provision has been made in the financial statements for any adverse decision.

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## REPORT OF THE PROPERTY TAX COLLECTOR—FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1978

Grand List	Due Date	Amount Taxes		Lawful Corrections		Adjusted Amount Taxes Collectible	Amount Paid Treasurer	Actual Taxes Collected During Period				Uncollectible Taxes		Collectible Taxes Uncollected
		Collectible	Taxes	Additions	Deductions			Taxes	Interest	Lien Fees	Total	Uncollected Taxes	Uncollected Taxes	
1976	7/1/77	\$4,494,738.65	\$17,662.18	\$22,123.44		\$4,490,277.39	\$4,337,192.77	\$4,319,257.35	\$17,102.92	\$ 832.50	\$4,337,192.77	—	—	\$171,020.04
1975	7/1/76	151,509.50	1,454.36	84.60		152,879.26	86,676.69	74,682.05	10,397.14	1,597.50	86,676.69	—	—	78,197.21
1974	7/1/75	85,060.65	70.20	12.60		85,118.25	52,761.78	40,894.77	10,753.26	1,113.75	52,761.78	—	—	44,223.48
1973	7/1/74	55,280.05	2.87			55,282.92	35,004.21	25,821.81	8,361.15	821.25	35,004.21	4,221.79	25,239.32	11,609.03
1972	7/1/73	28,432.25	244.05			28,676.30	14,076.81	9,976.79	3,973.27	126.75	14,076.81	7,090.48		8,440.98
1971	7/1/72	14,254.77	628.06			14,882.83	8,423.42	6,441.85	1,932.82	48.75	8,423.42	—	—	1,469.30
1970	7/1/71	4,395.15	133.00			4,528.15	4,885.67	3,058.85	1,776.57	50.25	4,885.67	—	—	355.11
1969	7/1/70	3,199.35				3,199.35	4,806.56	2,844.24	1,921.82	40.50	4,806.56	—	—	171.84
1968	7/1/69	1,596.05	24.05			1,620.10	2,611.78	1,448.26	1,128.52	35.00	2,611.78	—	—	125.65
1967	7/1/68	1,223.95				1,223.95	2,063.18	1,098.30	947.38	17.50	2,063.18	—	—	111.29
1966A	7/1/67	136.40				136.40	59.47	25.11	25.61	8.75	59.47	—	—	53.85
1966	5/1/67	66.00				66.00	25.76	12.15	13.61		25.76	—	—	100.52
1965	5/1/66	123.20				123.20	48.76	22.68	26.08		48.76	—	—	96.93
1964	5/1/65	96.93				96.93						—	—	93.34
1963	5/1/64	93.34				93.34						—	—	93.34
1962	5/1/63	93.34				93.34						—	—	93.34
Prior Tax Years (Note 1)		93.34				93.34						93.34		
TOTALS		\$4,840,392.92	\$20,218.77	\$22,220.64		\$4,838,391.05	4,548,636.86	\$4,485,584.21	\$58,360.15	\$4,692.50	\$4,548,636.86	\$11,405.61	\$341,401.23	
ANNUAL COLLECTIONS 1977 TAX LEVY		387,896.96												
TOTAL		\$4,936,533.82												

GRAND LIST—OCTOBER 1, 1976 \$125,168,296.00

TAX RATE 36 MILLS

ATTEST: OLIVE P. MULVIHILL, TAX COLLECTOR

NOTE 1: GENERAL STATUTES SEC. 12-164

**COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS****JUNE 30, 1978**

Comments and recommendations numbers 1, 2 and 3 are taken in part from our prior year report.

**Comment**

1. The size and extent of activity in capital projects and capital acquisitions is of increasing proportions and represents a substantial part of the Town's total annual expenditures.

**Recommendation**

A formal capital budget encompassing at least a two-year period should be prepared and updated annually. The budget should list its sources of revenues such as General Fund, special grants or Federal Revenue Sharing and should establish a priority for capital expenditures based on such revenues.

**Comment**

2. As indicated in paragraph 2 of our opinion letter, it should be noted that the Town of Old Saybrook does not maintain a record of its general fixed assets.

**Recommendation**

Since generally accepted accounting principles require a statement of general fixed assets, it is recommended that the Town of Old Saybrook establish a General Fixed Assets Fund.

**Comment**

3. Examination of the Tax Collector's records included confirmation of uncollected taxes directly with delinquent taxpayers. Responses received were in agreement with the tax as recorded.  
There are several list years which still extend beyond the statutory lien period. In prior years, we have recommended that action be taken to protect their collectibility. There has been some progress made. The amounts presently unprotected are minimal.

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that a policy be established for timely institution of legal proceedings for collection of delinquent taxes.

**Comment**

4. As part of our examination, we examined the Assessor's Abstract of the Grand List of 1976 and noted that a perfected Grand List was not signed and sworn to by the Board of Tax Review until July 26, 1978.

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Tax Review attest to the perfected Grand List at the time of the statutory completion of their duties.

**Comment**

5. Examination of the Selectmen's records indicated that paid expenditures are supported by a covering voucher containing required information and authority to pay. However, the original invoices are not indicated as paid.

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the original invoices supporting the vouchers paid be marked in a manner which would preclude their accidental use for a second time.

**Comment**

6. The records of the Tax Collector were confirmed directly with delinquent taxpayers. There were no variances claimed. The records were well kept and in sufficient detail to support collections and deposits.



# **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

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<b>"911"</b>	Ambulance Fire and Police from 388 numbers ONLY
388-3508	From all other numbers

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Accounting Department	388-9846	Selectmen's Office	388-3401
Building Department	388-5774	Tax Assessor	388-4713
Civil Preparedness	388-5264	Tax Collector	388-5287
Dog Warden 388-3500 or	388-4676	Town Clerk	388-2029
Judge of Probate	388-5390	Town Garage	388-9652
Parks and Recreation	388-3557	Welfare Department	388-2598
Planning and Zoning	388-5774	School Superintendent	388-3587
Public Health Nurse	388-4416	Public Library	388-2037
Social Worker	388-4089	Youth and Family Ser.	388-4089

## **ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES**

### **Hours**

9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday  
(Closed all Holidays)

## **ACTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

### **Hours**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday—1:00 to 8:30  
Wednesday and Friday —9:00 to 5:00  
Saturday —9:00 to 5:00, except  
during June, July and  
August, 9:00 to 1:00

## **SOCIAL SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE**

Every Wednesday of the month starting October 1, 1978  
Lower Level Meeting Room, Town Hall, 1:00 to 3:00 P.M.

## **TRANSFER STATION**

### **Hours**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  
Friday 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.  
Saturday 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  
Sunday 9:00 A.M. to Noon

Transfer Stations closed the following holidays:

New Year's Day	July 4th
Easter Sunday	Labor Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day	

## SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

### TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK—BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Name	Date of Each Month	Time (P.M.)
Board of Selectmen	Every Thursday	8:00
Town Hall		
Board of Tax Review	As Required	
Town Hall	(7:00-9:00 or 1:00-4:00)	
Board of Education	First and Third Tuesdays	8:00
Administrative Office—Sheffield St.		
Board of Finance	Third Monday	8:00
Town Hall		
Zoning Board of Appeals	Second Wednesday	8:00
Town Hall		
Conservation Commission	Third Tuesday	8:00
Town Hall		
Board of Library Directors	Second Tuesday	8:00
Acton Public Library		
Planning Commission	First and Third Wednesday	8:00
Town Hall		
Zoning Commission	First and Third Monday	8:00
Town Hall		
Board of Police Commissioners	Fourth Monday	8:00
Dept. of Police Services Building		
Park and Recreation Commission	Second Tuesday	8:00
Park and Recreation Building		
Jury Committee	As required	7:00
As Determined		
Pension Board	Last Thursday	7:30
Town Hall		
Waterfront Commission	Second Tuesday	8:00
Town Hall		
Public Health Nursing Board	Second Tuesday	7:30
Town Hall		
Youth Services Commission	First Wednesday	8:00
Chapman House, 334 Main St.		
Economic Development Comm.	Second Monday	8:00
Town Hall		
Inland Wetlands Commission	Third Thursday	8:00
Town Hall		
Republican Town Committee	Fourth Wednesday	8:00
Town Hall		
Democratic Town Committee	Fourth Monday	8:00
Town Hall		













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